

- 1) What school does Professor Diamond teach at?
- 2) What does Yali mean by the term “cargo?” How did the New Guineans regard the “cargo” the white men brought?
- 3) What, according to Diamond, do all great civilizations have in common?
- 4) Where did the human societies of 13,000 years ago thrive? What type of societies existed?
- 5) What is the fundamental problem of hunting?
- 6) Why, according to Diamond, are there so few hunter and gathering societies?
- 7) What shift occurred due to the drought circa 12,500 B.C.E.?
- 8) What is the process of changing crops by human interference know as?
- 9) What other parts of the world developed farming independently of each other?
- 10) What is happening in the world 9,000 years ago? How is this important to agriculture?
- 11) According to the video, what are the best animals to farm (domesticate)? What makes them good candidates?
- 12) What was the result of producing a surplus of food for the villages?
- 13) Why, according to Diamond, did the people of New Guinea not advance technologically?
- 14) What was the fundamental weakness of the Fertile Crescent?
- 15) Why did the migrations from the Fertile Crescent do so well moving east or west along the same longitudinal line?
- 16) What answer does Diamond give to Yali’s original question?