

Learning Activities

Gold Mining

Use the lyrics to *Cariboo Pay Dirt* and background information to complete the following activities.

1. On the outline map below, show Billy's route from Victoria to the Cariboo.



2. Describe the two mining methods mentioned in the song.

Panning:

Underground mining:

6. Draw a diagram of a sluice box and explain how it was used.

Explanation: _____

7. Tell what Billy Barker could have done differently to make his life more successful.

8. Explain what is meant by the term, "Celestial."

9. Name as many as possible of the businesses shown in the picture of Barkerville's main street.

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10. Suggest a reason why a dry creek bed might be a good place to find gold.
