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“The Last Great Gold Rush” by Evan Andrews

Read the article and answer the questions as you do so. Some questions will refer to the highlighted text which is numbered in the article.

1. The first paragraph of the article is **organized** using \_\_\_\_\_ text structure.
2. Skookum Jim’s photo is text \_\_\_\_\_, which allows the reader to see what he looked like.
3. We learn in this article that Skookum Jim and Tagish Charley were “\_\_\_\_\_” of the Yukon unlike George Carmack, who was an American.
4. Identify the figurative language device used in line (1): “dealt myself a royal flush in the game of life,”  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. Identify the figurative language device used in the line (2): “whole world was a jackpot,”  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. Identify the figurative language device used in the line (3): “News of the strike spread through the Yukon like wildfire.” \_\_\_\_\_
7. What does the word “cache” (4) mean? \_\_\_\_\_
8. Identify the figurative language device used in the line (5): “The news immediately whipped the West Coast into a frenzy.” \_\_\_\_\_
9. To try and prevent starvation, the Canadian government required stampeders to do what? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
10. Identify the figurative language device used in the line (6): “herculean task.” \_\_\_\_\_  
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11. What does the word “swindled”(7) mean? \_\_\_\_\_
12. The White Pass trail became known as “\_\_\_\_\_ Trail” due to the number of carcasses along its paths.
13. “The combined overland trek and river journey often took over a \_\_\_\_\_” to complete.
14. “Of the estimated 100,000 people who headed north, only around \_\_\_\_\_ actually made it to the Klondike.”

15. The name of the city closest to the gold fields was \_\_\_\_\_ City; it also became one of the most populous cities in all of Canada.

16. What does the word "squandered"(8) mean? \_\_\_\_\_

17. Identify the figurative language device used in the line (9): "famously frittered away a fortune"

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18. What was the name of the "richest woman in Dawson" who made her fortune selling her underwear and hot water bottles in the Yukon? \_\_\_\_\_

19. Name this author who was forced to leave the Yukon with a case of scurvy and no gold but had many experiences in which to write about. \_\_\_\_\_

20. The Klondike Gold Rush boom lasted \_\_\_\_\_ years.