GOLD RUSH

I. Fill in the blanks:

colony	news	convict	circulating	population
stories	rumours	feared	spread	flecks

The first _____ about gold finds near Bathurst began _____ in the _____ in 1823 when James O'Brien found tiny _____ of gold in the Fish River.

Governor Thomas Brisbane kept this _____ from the general _____ because he _____ that there would be a _____ revolt.

II. Match:

1. revolt	•	•	a. a story, that people talk about, but that may not be true
2. colony	•	•	b. a very small piece of something
3. fear	•	•	c. to be frightened of
4. tiny	•	•	d. uprising
5. rumour	•	•	e. very small
6. convict	•	•	f. prisoner
7. precious	•	•	g. very valuable; much loved
8. fleck	•	•	h. A group of people in one place who are ruled by another country.

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III. Make sentences

You will choose 3 three words in the list and make a sentence with them. You will make **3 sentences** and the words can be used again in the new sentence.

metal	found	spread	rumour
flecks	gold	jewellery	precious

Example: James O'Brien **found** tiny **flecks** of **gold** in the Fish River.

1. _____.
2. _____.
3. _____.

IV. In your opinion, what would happen if the rumours about gold finds spread out in the general population?

- *What would some people do if they heard about the rumours?*
- *How would life of the local inhabitants change?*

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