Youtube – Guns, Germs and Steel – Episode 1, Parts 1-6

Answer the questions below after watching the video.

1. a) What are some characteristics of the “Haves”?
2. What are some characteristics of the “Haves Nots”?
3. What separates the “Haves” from the “Have Nots”?
4. Looking at the New Guineans:
   1. What are your perceptions of them as a people?
   2. What do you think their perceptions of western people are?
   3. What level are they at on our civilization pyramid?
   4. Why do you think that the New Guineans haven’t adapted or changed to be more like western culture?
5. What does Jared Diamond say is the major reason for people settling and becoming successful in farming?
6. What qualities did people look for when domesticating animals?
7. Do you think the indigenous people of New Guinea are “civilized”? Explain your answer.