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Terms:

Cheonggyecheon–clear water stream

1. " a king who utilized water well, ruled well"–why?
2. mountains and water are key elements to Feng Sui–why?
3. 600 years ago, the stream passed through many biomes–name a few
4. "cover it up" was started in 1968–what happened to the city? Has this continued?
5. "induced demand" means what? How could you control this if you were emperor?
6. Noh Soo Hong says "they think I'm nut": what does this say about the public awareness about carrying capacity and sustainable development? Are there parallels to other urban societies? What sort of economic/social benefits might you experience?
7. Lee Myung Bak is now the President of Korea, what were his previous two jobs? What's the lesson here? There is an old saying: "only Nixon could have gone to China" What's the connection?
8. What unique talents did Lee Myung Bak bring to the project?
9. What changes did they make to public transportation during construction, and what did they learn about traffic while doing this "experiment"?
10. Is traffic more like a liquid or a gas? Explain.
11. What is the heat island effect, and how did the restoration change this in Seoul?
12. The two ladies are a crackup–they talk over each other, but what is their unique perspective on this?
13. Big picture: think of why the city was located there, how it evolved to cover it's reason for being there, then once it was uncovered and restored, the city re–discovered it's roots. Where else could you imagine seeing this?
14. Hawaiian society was based on the Ahupua'a concept. How is this similar?
15. Koreans plant 480,000 trees each year to offset the impact of the stream–why?
16. Many cities in Europe have strict urban planning policies–compare these with Seoul.

17. Soon we will see a similar video about Alexandria Virginia, where pedestrian traffic has changed. How did pedestrian traffic change in Seoul due to the "road diet"
18. The present mayor of Seoul says "sustainability is the key element to the survival of the city". Why?