CLSK121 Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Genius Clusters: video clip (1/21/16)

Pre-listening vocabulary:

to foster something [verb] cluster [noun]

cosmopolitan [adj] Socrates/Plato/Aristotle

The Renaissance “a Renaissance man”

the *status quo* [noun; Latin]

**Speakers**: Paul Solman, Eric Weiner, Ricardo Hausmann

1. Who is Eric Weiner?
2. According to the video, what do the **locations** of genius clusters have in common? (What are some of the features that they share?)

As you watch the video clip, complete the following quotations and answer the questions.

1. Eric Weiner “The point is that genius is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.”

What does Weiner mean?

1. Ricardo Hausmann: “Genius is not really about \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. It’s really about a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.” Explain what Hausmann is saying.
2. According to Weiner, ***trust*** is a necessary ingredient for a flowering of genius. What is the other component?
3. Weiner: “Graham Greene once famously said about Switzerland, ‘500 years of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and what have they brought the world? The cuckoo \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.’” What did Graham Greene mean when he said this?
4. Explain the relationship between Michelangelo and Leonardo DaVinci as described in the video clip and how it relates to the larger point that is being made.
5. Weiner: “All genius is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to some degree.” Explain this point.
6. Paul Solman: “So what was it about Vienna?”

Eric Weiner: “The Viennese coffee house was a classic case of what’s known as a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.” What does this mean? Give a definition of the words in the blank and then explain how this relates to Weiner’s thesis.

1. Solman: “For Eric Weiner, the final ingredients of genius seem pretty clear: a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with bustle, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, cooperation, and above all, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the new, the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.”
2. Hausmann: “In the U.S. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of employers are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. In Silicon Valley, over \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of start-ups are created by people who were \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.”
3. Solman: “The fact is, when it comes to cooking up genius clusters anywhere, from ancient Greece to Renaissance Italy to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, there may be key ingredients, but the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is awfully hard to follow.”