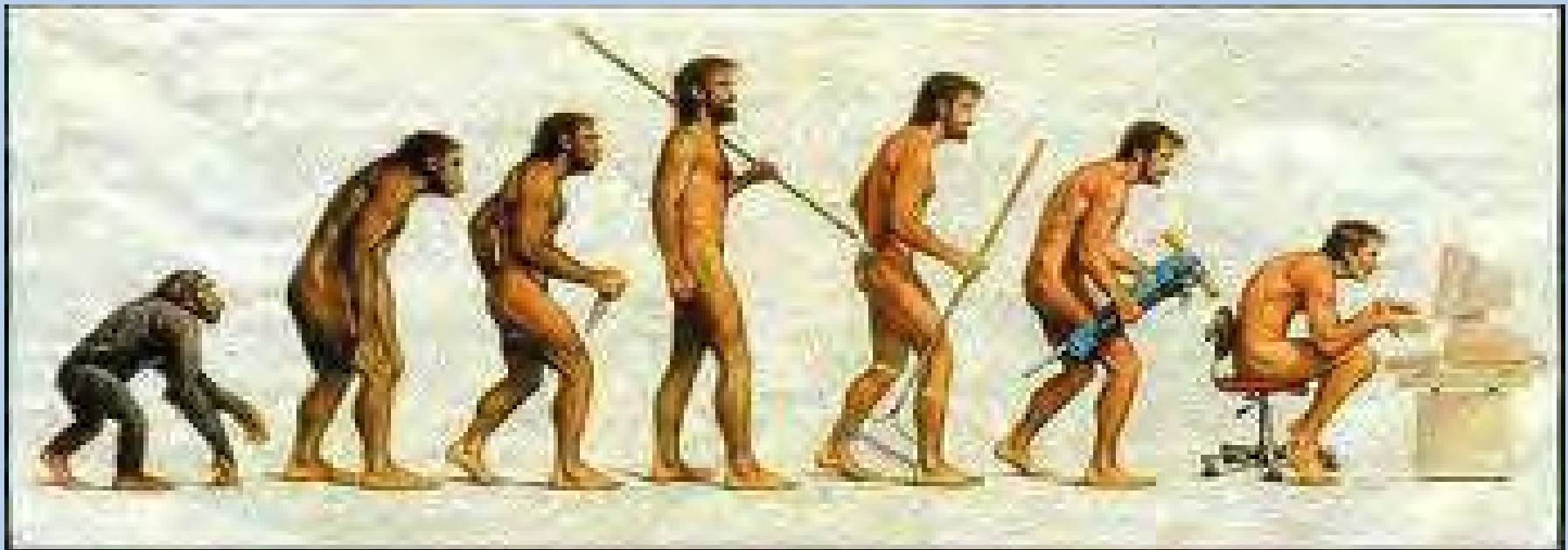


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**Technology – A Distraction or a Tool?**

# War as a Natural “Hook” to Learning



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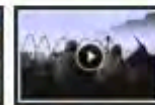
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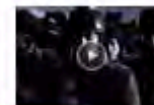
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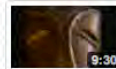
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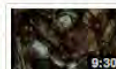
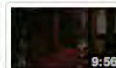
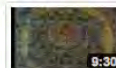
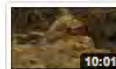
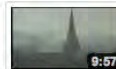
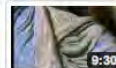
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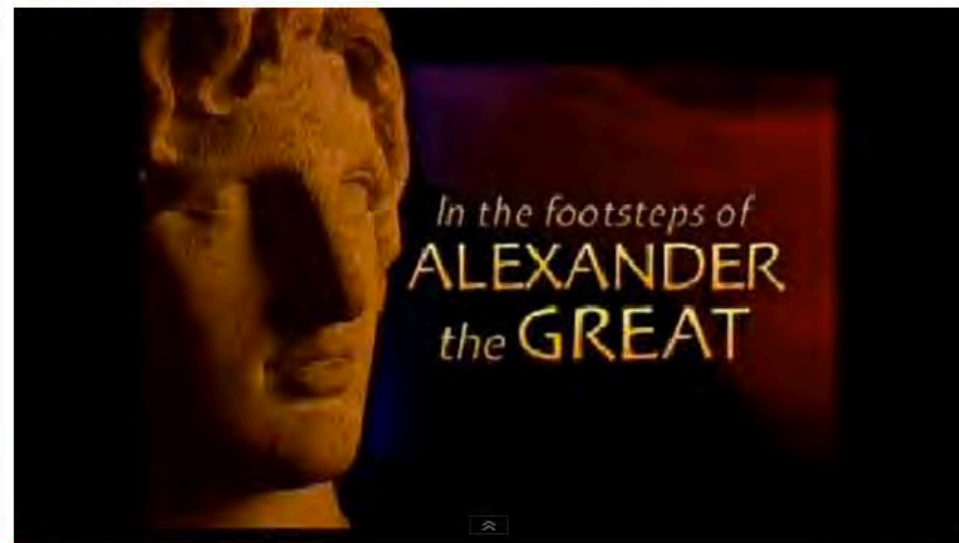
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# GERMANY

Leader: Otto Von Bismarck

Special Ability: Furor Teutonicus

Special Unit: Landsknecht

Special Unit: Panzer

## OVERVIEW:

While various "Germanic" people have lived in Europe for thousands of years, the modern nation of "Germany" is extremely young, founded by the brilliant Prussian politician Otto von Bismarck some 140 years ago. During its brief existence Germany has had a profound effect on human history.

## FACTOID:

There are over 1,300 beer breweries in Germany, making almost 5,000 different kinds of beer. The Germans consume the 3rd largest amount of beer per year, after the Irish and the Czechs, roughly 31 gallons per person per year.

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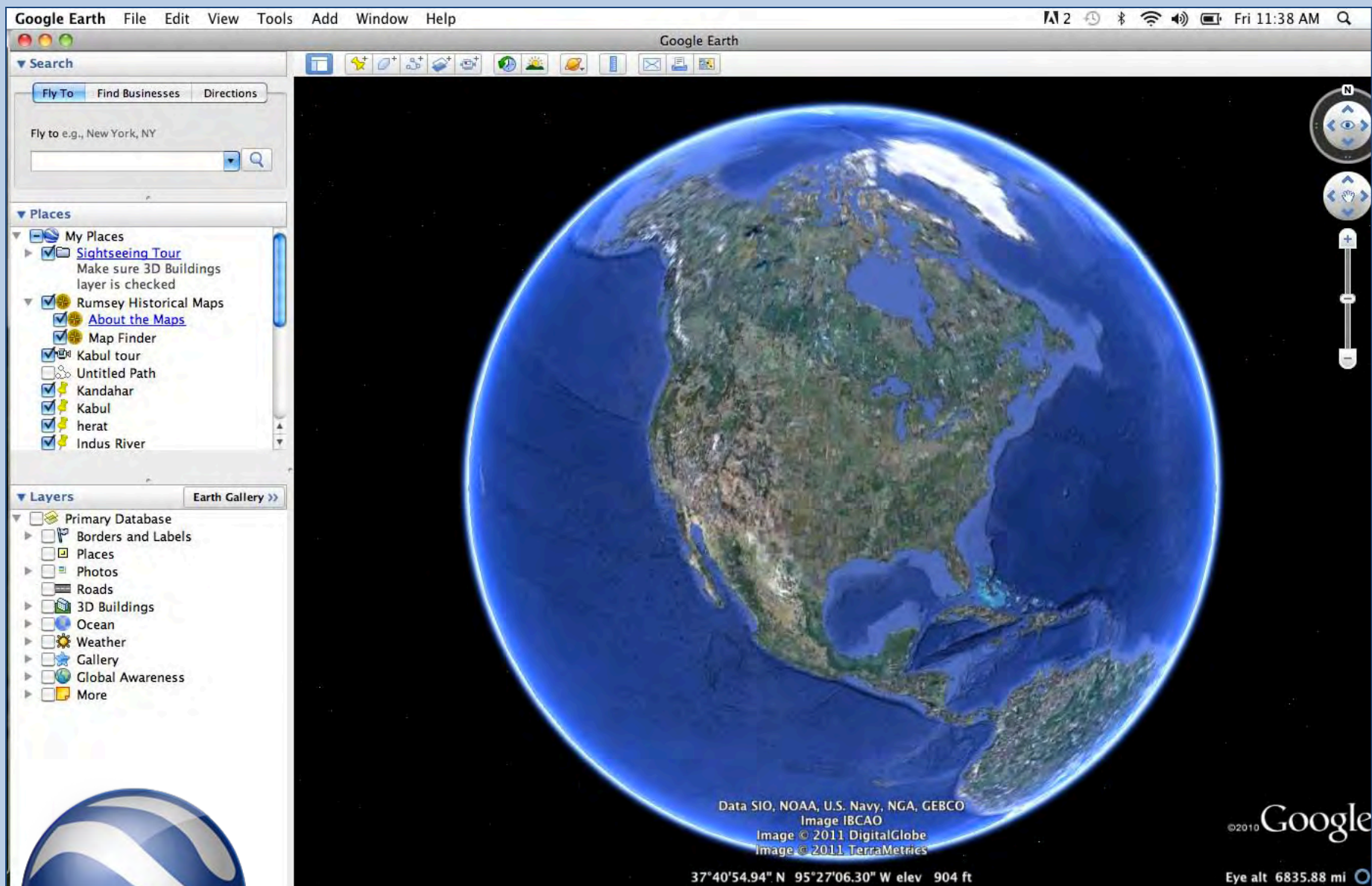
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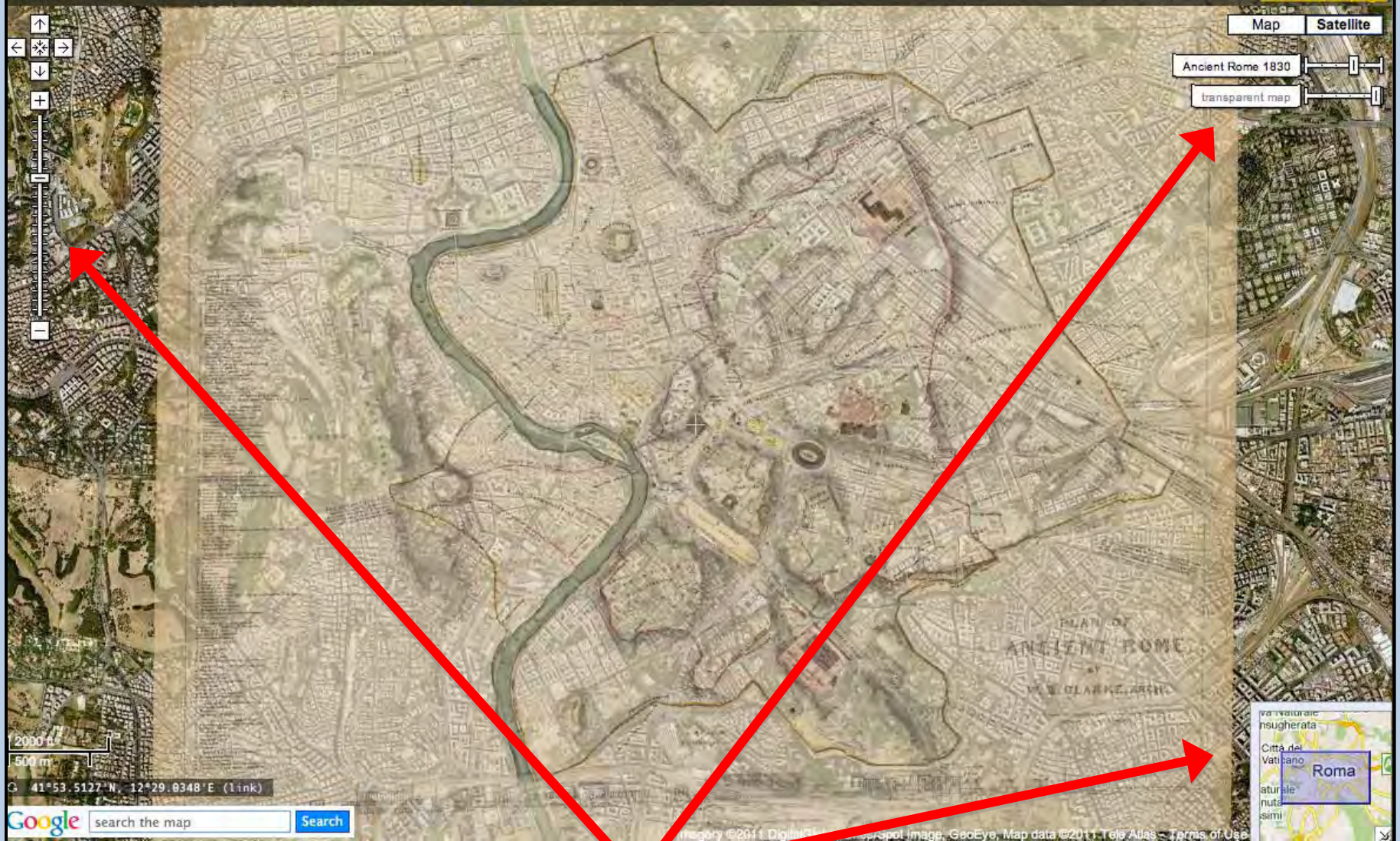
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# View of the Hindu Kush

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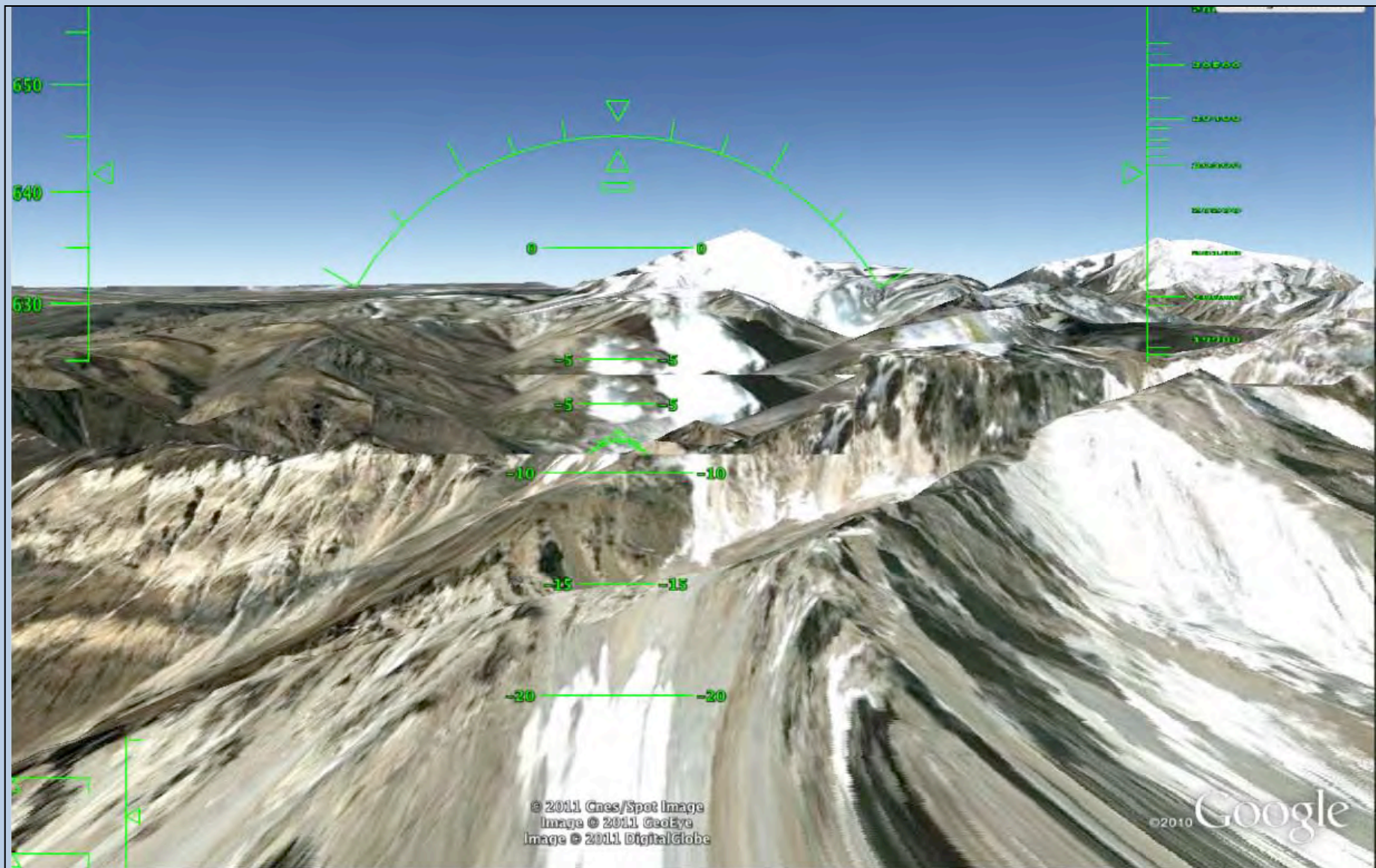
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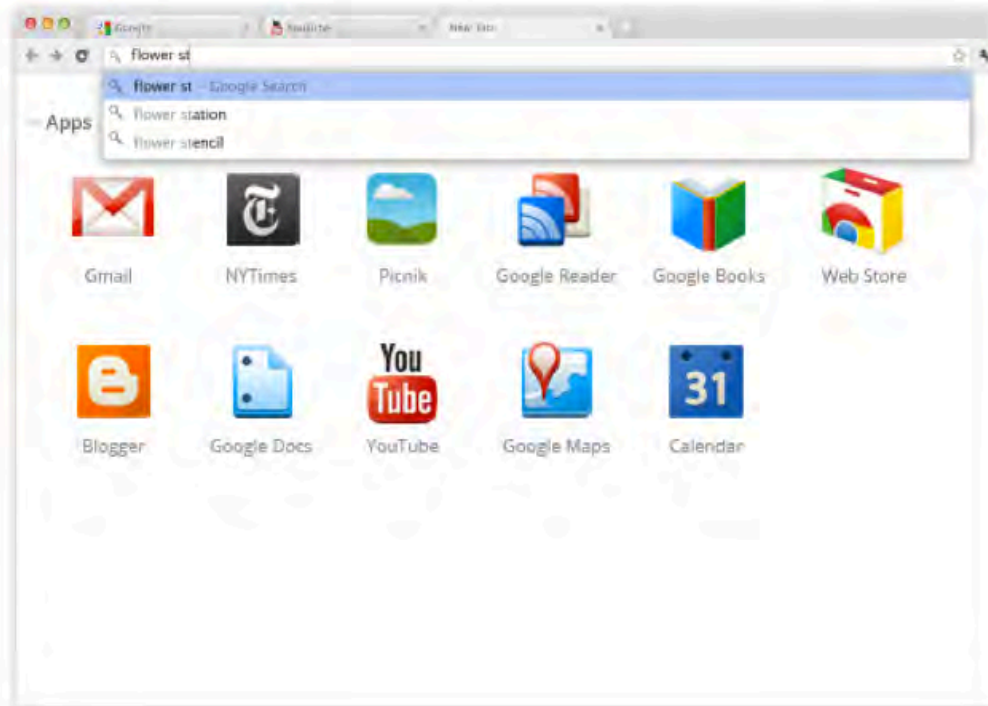
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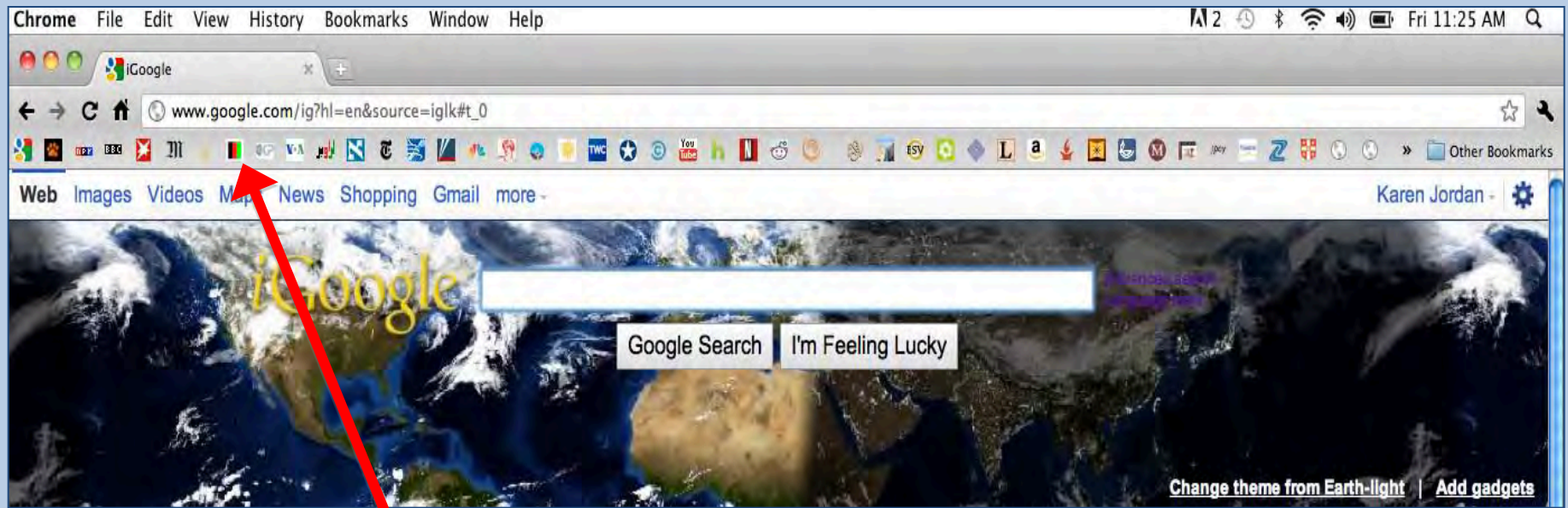
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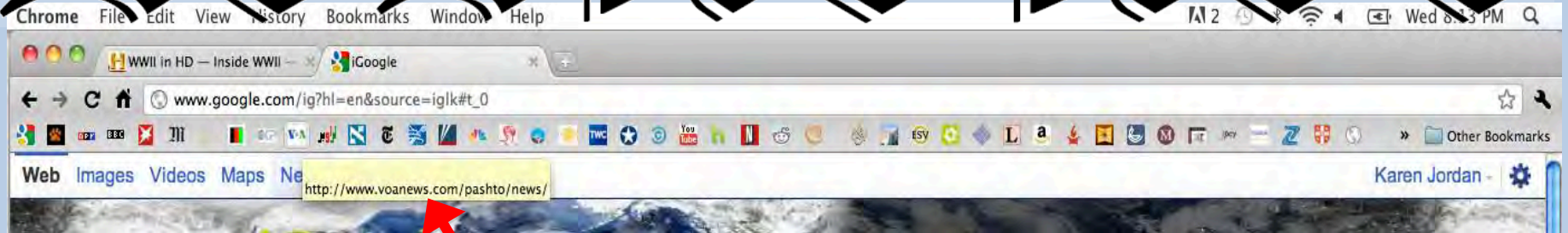


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### Tribal Engagement Teams

By STEVEN PRESSFIELD | Published: OCTOBER 5, 2009

Last week in our first excerpt from Special Forces Major Jim Gant's paper, "One Tribe At A Time," Maj. Gant laid out the concept for a specialized type of American unit—a Tribal Engagement Team. Such teams would be small, highly trained and motivated, and granted broad latitude in the means of pursuing their mission. They would live full-time in the villages with the tribes, "lead, assist, train, supply," and help organize Tribal Security Forces (TSFs.)

(more...)

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The phenomenon of soldier blogs has created yet another community in blogosphere, one which has an ever increasing audience. Sblogs (soldier blogs) have been able to touch the hearts of countless Americans with the messages that sbloggers have to share. It has enabled the home front to connect with real soldiers who are serving their country and have become links in the chain of history as defenders of freedom. Sbloggers have been able to document the fierce struggles they face on a daily basis in Iraq and Afghanistan. Others allow you to follow the trials and emotions a reservist goes through when they are being mobilized and readied for war. ***Bloggers are not just writing and reporting the story, they are LIVING the story every day.*** Sblogs are often gripping and sometimes graphic, first hand accounts, of the author's life and experiences.

The following list is by no means all inclusive as you will discover if you explore the world of blogs, I have simply included the ones that I read frequently and find the most interesting, informative and genuine.

Special thanks must go out to Sgt. Chris Missick for letting me use descriptive language from his own blog in the above description. Thanks Chris, you rock!!

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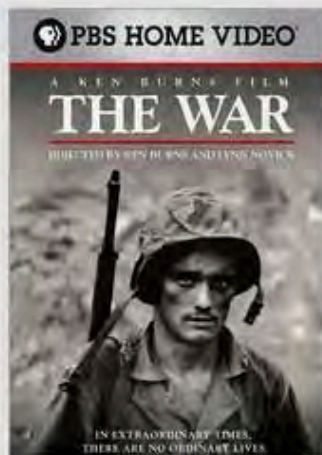


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