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Walden Film Viewing Guide

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1.	When and why did Thoreau move to Walden Pond?
2.	How did Thoreau think most people were living their lives? What did he want them to do?
3.	What role did Emerson play in Thoreau's life?
4.	What did Thoreau mean by "Simplify, simplify"? How does nature connect to this advice?

5.	What was Thoreau's argument in "Civil Disobedience"? Who was influenced by his essay?
6.	What does it mean to "find your own Walden"?
7.	What mood is created by the music and the images of the natural world, especially Walden Pond, throughout the film?