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<p>Gold collar Gold is shiny like the sun and does not rust. So kings, wore it to show they represented the sun God Ra.</p>	
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