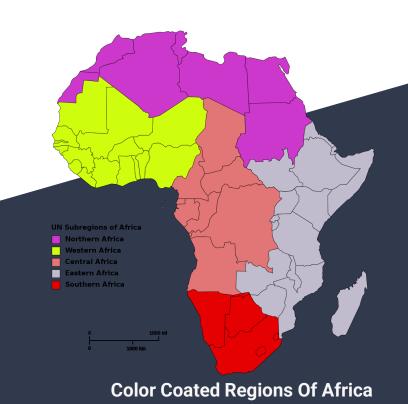
# Africa 1500 to Present Day

A Continent That Faces Adversity While Diligently Trying to Advance

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# Kingdoms & Empires



The old Ghana Empire (Photo source: answersafrica.com)

- The Ethiopian Empire
- The Ghana Empire
- The Mali Empire
- The Songhai Empire
- The Benin Empire



Drawing of Benin Kingdom (Photo source: Wikipedia)

# Trans - Atlantic Slave Trade



Trans-Atlantic trade routes



Africans on the slave ship

The Trans Atlantic Slave Trade affected the continent of Africa casuing the slave trade expansion to last from the late 15th century to the late 19th century this include Europeans using slave labour for trade. Africans were Boarded on to ships and sent to many different places through a passage.

#### Scramble for Africa

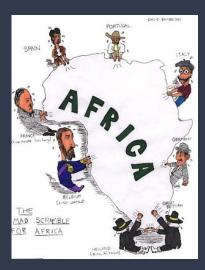


Illustration of countries taking parts of Africa for resources



Different resources in each regions

The Scramble of Africa was when the European powers colonized, invaded, forced occupation and split up many African territories. They also referred to this as the race for Africa from the 1800's till the beginning of World War I. Europeans see Africa as an asset to them due to the known raw materials that could assist them in the industrial revolution.

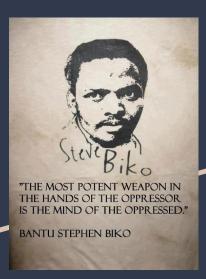
#### Colonialism



**Colonized sections of Africa** 

**Europeans thought that colonizing** Africa would also help with exporting influence from western civilization to Africa which they believed was undeveloped and backwards. Europeans thought of themselves as the superior race. The Europeans saw themselves as the superior race and that it was their responsibility to act as the superiors to govern themselves and civilize the African race.

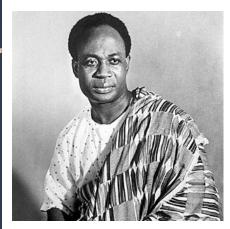
# Decolonization and Independence in Africa "Black Consciousness"





The flag of Ghana

- Ghana
- Kwame Nkrumah
- Stephen Biko



**Photo of Kwame Nkrumah** 



**Quote from Stephen Biko** 

Gif of Decolonization in Africa

#### Modernity Affects in Africa



It is clear that we must find an African solution to our problems, and that this can only be found in African unity. Divided we are weak; united, Africa could become one of the greatest forces for good in the world.

— Kwame Mkrumob —

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Quote from Kwame Nkrumah  African modernity is understood as African forms of life and experiences after contact with the West, which distinguishes it from pre-modern African forms of life and experiences prior to Western influences.

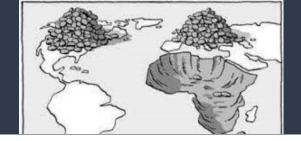
### Post Independent Africa



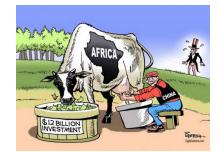
African National Independence

In the next three decades after Ghana had gained independence, forty seven African countries would become independent some verv peacefully, others only after the most desperate and bloody conflicts with reluctant colonial regimes. Whereas in 1930, only one **African country** Ethiopia had been independent, by the end of the century, every single nation had gained its freedom

#### Neocolonialism

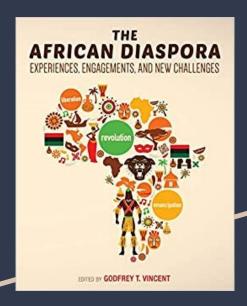


- "Neo-colonialism warns us of the potential regressive impact of unregulated forms of aid, trade and foreign direct investment in relation to poverty reduction and wellbeing in African countries."
- China mostly invests in projects that allow it to rapaciously plunder natural resources in these countries to serve its population the raw material it needs. Africa is abundant in resources and the newly constructed railway will make it easy to transport them to the ports.



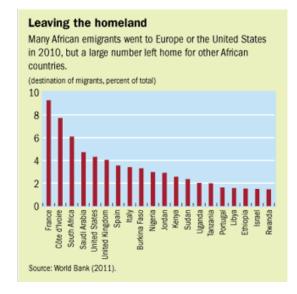
 Ways in which Africa can fix this is by uniting. Instead of relying on other countries for financial support they should try and come together and support each other. They should also work with other governments that will give them an equal amount of money for their resources.

# Africans and the Diaspora



**Diaspora:** the mass dispersion of a population from its indigenous territories

Pan-Africanism



#### "The Year of Return"



"Celebrities in Ghana for The Year Of Return"



**The Year of Return Movement** 

- The Year of Return
- Nana Akufo-Addo



**Photo of Nana Akufo Addo** 

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