

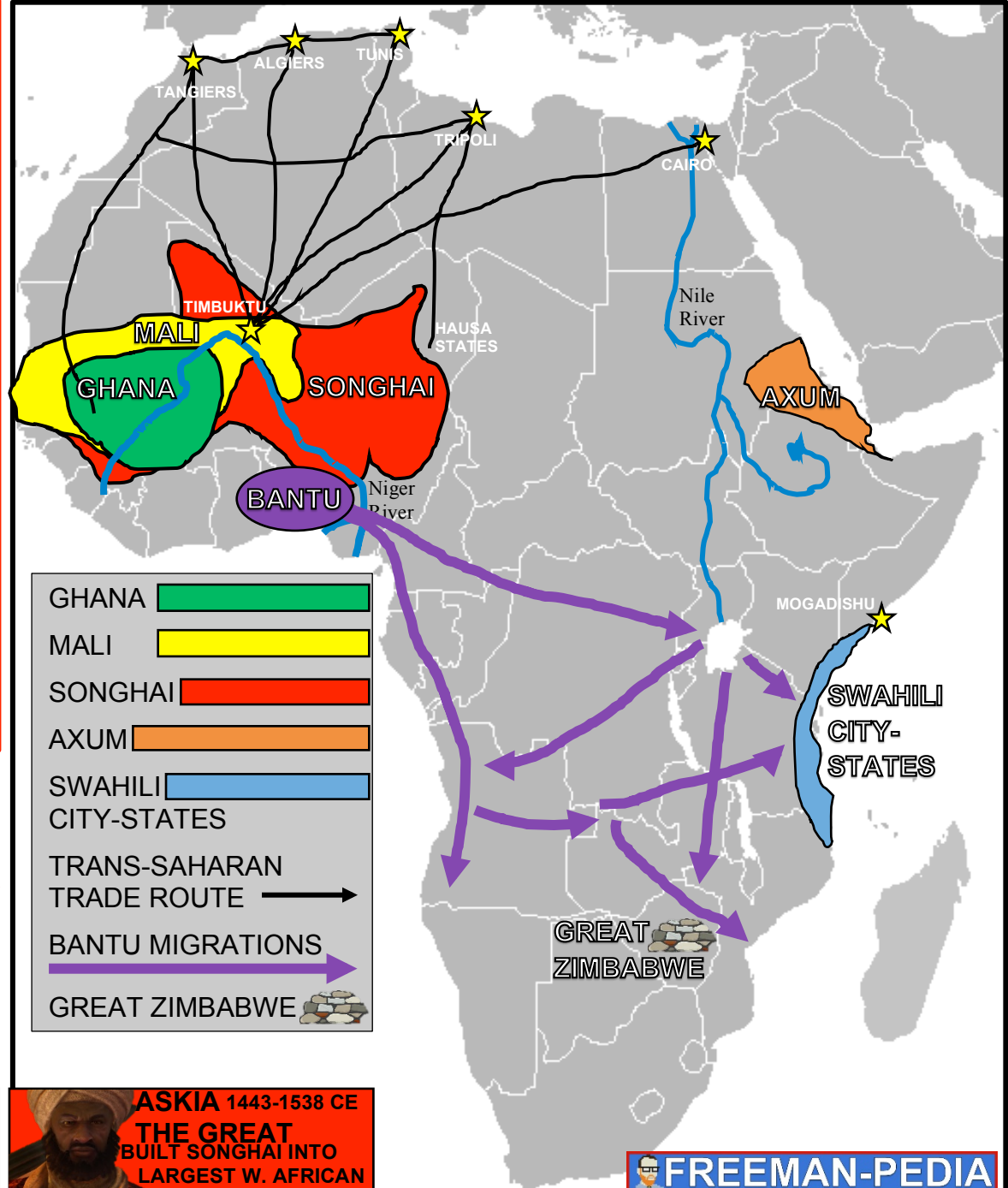
POST CLASSICAL AFRICA

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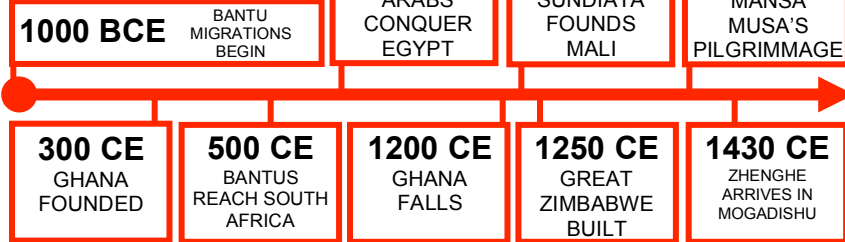


APPEARANCES IN THE AP CURRICULUM:

- EXISTING TRADE ROUTES FLOURISHED (**TRANS-SAHARAN TRADE ROUTE, INDIAN OCEAN TRADE**) AND PROMOTED THE GROWTH OF POWERFUL NEW TRADE CITIES (**TIMBUKTU**)
- GROWTH OF INTER-REGIONAL TRADE IN LUXURY GOODS (**SLAVES, PRECIOUS METALS, EXOTIC ANIMALS**)
- TRADE WAS ENCOURAGED BY SIGNIFICANT INNOVATIONS IN PREVIOUSLY EXISTING TRANSPORTATION AND COMMERCIAL TECHNOLOGIES INCLUDING MORE SOPHISTICATED CARAVAN ORGANIZATION (**CAMEL CARAVANS, CARAVANSERA**)
- MOVEMENT OF PEOPLES HAD LINGUISTIC EFFECTS (**ARABS/BERBERS IN NORTH AFRICA**)
- SOME MIGRATIONS HAD A SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT. REQUIRED EXAMPLES OF MIGRATION AND THEIR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
- THE **MIGRATION OF BANTU-SPEAKING PEOPLES** WHO FACILITATED TRANSMISSION OF IRON TECHNOLOGIES AND AGRICULTURAL TECHNIQUES IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA.
- SOME MIGRATIONS AND COMMERCIAL CONTACTS LED TO THE DIFFUSION OF LANGUAGES (**SPREAD OF BANTU LANGUAGES, INCLUDING SWAHILI**) THROUGHOUT A NEW REGION, OR THE EMERGENCE OF NEW LANGUAGES
- MUSLIM RULE EXPANDED TO MANY PARTS AFRO-EURASIA DUE TO MILITARY EXPANSION & ISLAM SUBSEQUENTLY EXPANDED THROUGH THE ACTIVITIES OF MERCHANTS AND MISSIONARIES
- INCREASED CROSS-CULTURAL INTERACTIONS RESULTED IN THE DIFFUSION OF LITERARY, ARTISTIC, CULTURAL TRADITIONS (**ISLAM IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA**)
- NEW FOODS AND AGRICULTURAL TECHNIQUES (**BANANAS IN AFRICA**) WERE ADOPTED IN POPULATED AREAS
- IN SOME PLACES, NEW FORMS OF GOVERNANCE EMERGED, INCLUDING THOSE DEVELOPED IN VARIOUS CITY STATES (**EAST AFRICA**)



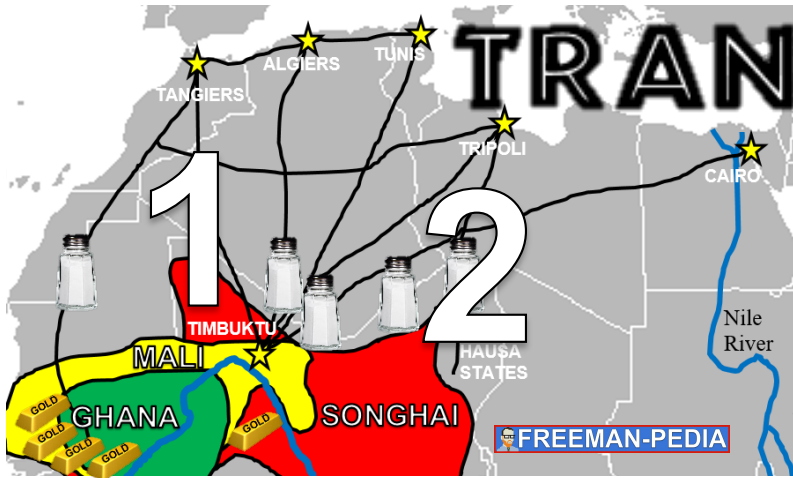
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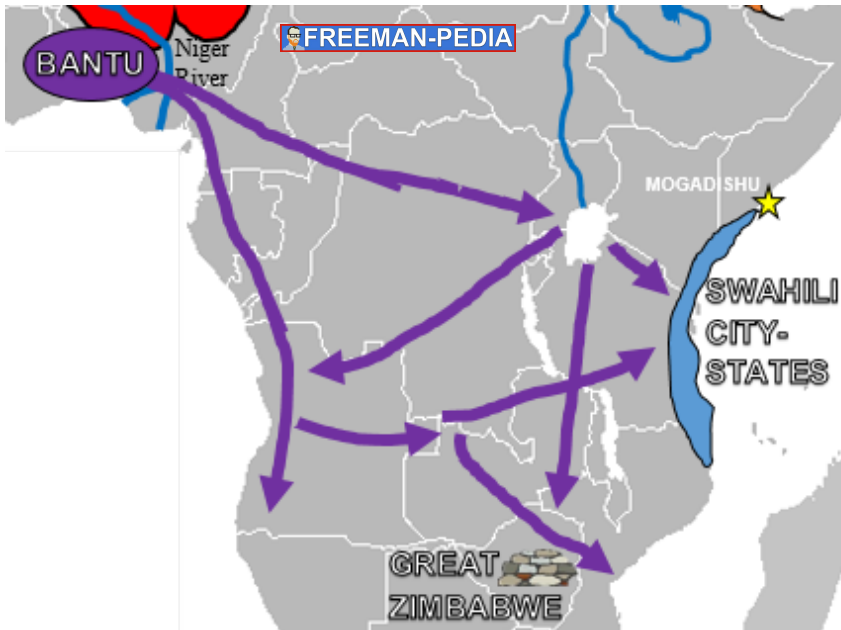
TRANS SAHARAN TRADE



- NORTH AFRICAN TRADE ROUTE CONNECTING SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA TO THE REST OF AFRO-EURASIA
 - PEAKED FROM 700s→1500s
- 300 CE: CAMEL CARAVANS BEGIN
 - FATTENED UP FOR MONTHS PRIOR
 - "1,000 CAMELS ON AVERAGE, SOME AS LARGE AS 12,000" –Ibn Battuta
- LED BY HIGHLY PAID BERBER GUIDES
- TWO MAIN ROUTES:
 - 1. FROM MOROCCO TO NIGER BEND
 - 2. FROM TUNISIA TO LAKE CHAD

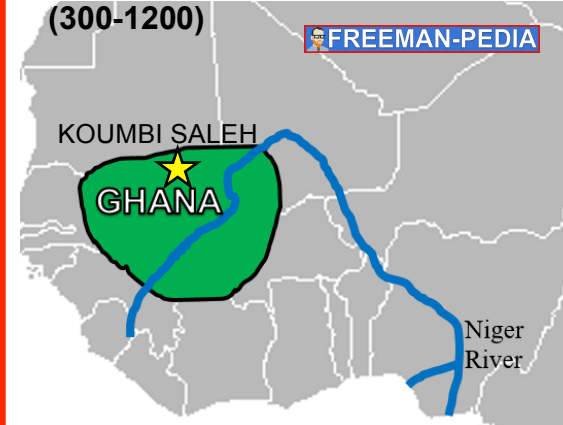
- KEY ITEMS TRADED:
 - GOLD (👉)
 - SALT (👉)
 - SLAVES (9 MILLION IN THIS ERA)
- ISLAM
 - BERBER TRADERS HAD INCREASING INTERACTION WITH THE ISLAMIC WORLD
 - LED TO CONVERSIONS
 - 8TH CENT.=MUSLIMS ARRIVE IN GHANA
 - MANY IN GHANA CONVERTED
 - INCREASED TRADE TO GHANA
- GREATLY REDUCED BY EURO. EXPLORERS

BANTU MIGRATIONS



- NOT A SINGLE EVENT; MANY MOVEMENTS OVER MILLENIA
 - EVIDENCED BY LINGUISTIC SIMILARITIES IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICAN LANGUAGES
- FROM NIGER-CONGO VALLEY (BANTU), OVER 3,000 YEARS PEOPLE MIGRATED SOUTH
 - SPARKED BY FARMING, CERAMICS & IRON USE WHICH OPENED UP NEW AREAS FOR DEVELOPMENT
- HAPPENED IN WAVES THROUGHOUT THE COURSE OF THE MIGRATION
 - FINALLY ARRIVED IN SOUTH AFRICA BY 300 CE

GHANA EMPIRE



- CAPITAL=KOUMBI SALEH (PROBABLY)
 - KING CLAIMED ALL NUGGETS OF GOLD FOR HIMSELF
 - PEOPLE WERE ALLOWED TO HAVE GOLD DUST
- MANY SURROUNDING STATES PAID TRIBUTE TO THE EMPIRE OF GHANA
- MOST HISTORICAL EVIDENCE ON GHANA COMES FROM ISLAMIC HISTORIANS (ESPECIALLY AL BAKRI)
 - *BOOK OF ROADS & KINGDOMS*
 - WRITTEN IN 1068 IN CORDOBA
 - AL BAKRI NEVER LEFT CORDOBA
 - TAKEN FROM ACCOUNTS OF MERCHANTS/TRAVELLERS
 - DETAILS WHICH CITIES WERE CONVERTING TO ISLAM (GAO, etc.)
- I'LL SAVE YOU SOME EFFORT HERE:
 - EVERYONE ARGUES ABOUT WHEN, WHO, HOW GHANA BEGAN... SO...
- GHANA WAS A PLACE BEFORE ISLAM
- EXPANSION OF THE GHANA EMPIRE
 - 1. DOMESTICATION OF THE CAMEL
 - ALLOWED FOR SUB-SAHARAN ITEMS (GOLD, SALT, IVORY) TO BE TRADED TO THE NORTH
 - 2. ARRIVAL OF ARABS INTO NORTH AFRICA
 - INCREASED THE AMOUNT OF TRADE TO THE REGION
- BY 1,000 CE, MUSLIMS HAD BEGUN TO INCORPORATE INTO THE GOVERNMENT OF GHANA
 - INCLUDING THE "TREASURER, HIS INTERPRETER, AND HIS OFFICIALS"
- GHANA'S DECLINE & FALL ARE ALSO DEBATED...
 - ACCORDING TO IBN KHALDUN, HE MET A MAN FROM GHANA (UTHMAN) ON HIS PILGRIMAGE TO MECCA
 - UTHMAN SAID GHANA FELL TO THE ALMORAVIDS AND THAT THE "VEILED PEOPLE" CAUSED GHANA TO FALL
- BY THE END, GHANA HAD CONVERTED TO ISLAM BEFORE BEING ABSORBED INTO **THE EMPIRE OF MALI** (1240)

- SUNDIATA KEITA (1217-1255)
 - FOUNDER OF MALI
 - AKA "LION KING"
- BORN TO THE KING & THE BUFFALO WOMAN
 - UGLY/HUNCH BACKED
- HANDICAPPED
 - DIDN'T WALK UNTIL HE WAS MUCH OLDER
- KING DIES; EXILED BY HIS 1/2 BROTHER
 - GAINS SUPPORT AMONG THE MANY STATES OF THE GHANA EMPIRE
- RETURNED AND DEFEATED THE SOSSO KING
 - 1ST MALINKE RULER
 - 1ST MANSA OF MALI



MALI EMPIRE

(1235-1600)

- IF YOU CAN'T TELL SO FAR, THERE'S JUST NOT A TON OF AVAILABLE INFORMATION ON THESE EMPIRES... THE FIRST MAN TO VISIT AND RETURN AND WRITE ABOUT IT WAS IBN BATTUTA
 - THAT WASN'T UNTIL THE 14TH CENTURY (1352)!
- THE ONE HISTORICAL ROCKSTAR TO COME OUT OF AFRICA IN THIS PERIOD IS **MANSA MUSA** →
 - 10TH MANSA OF MALI
 - DEVOUT MUSLIM; KNOWN FOR HIS PILGRIMAGE TO MECCA FROM 1324-5
 - 60,000 PEOPLE ACCOMPANIED HIM
 - CARRIED TONS OF GOLD WITH HIM

TIMBUKTU



- DURING THE 12TH CENTURY, TIMBUKTU REPLACED AOU DAGHAST AS THE TRADE CENTER OF WEST AFRICA
- ANNEXED BY MANSA MUSA UPON RETURNING FROM HIS HAJJ (1324)
 - BUILT THE DJINGUERBER MOSQUE
- ISLAMIC CENTER THAT ATTRACTED SCHOLARS FROM ALL OVER

- CITY THRIVED DURING BOTH THE MALI AND SONGHAI EMPIRES
- TIMBUKTU SERVED AS THE CENTER FOR THE SLAVE AND GOLD TRADE
- 1591: CITY FELL TO MOROCCAN INVADERS
- TRANS-ATLANTIC TRADE ROUTES SPELLED THE ULTIMATE DOOM FOR TIMBUKTU
 - SLAVE/GOLD TRADE MOVED TO THE COAST

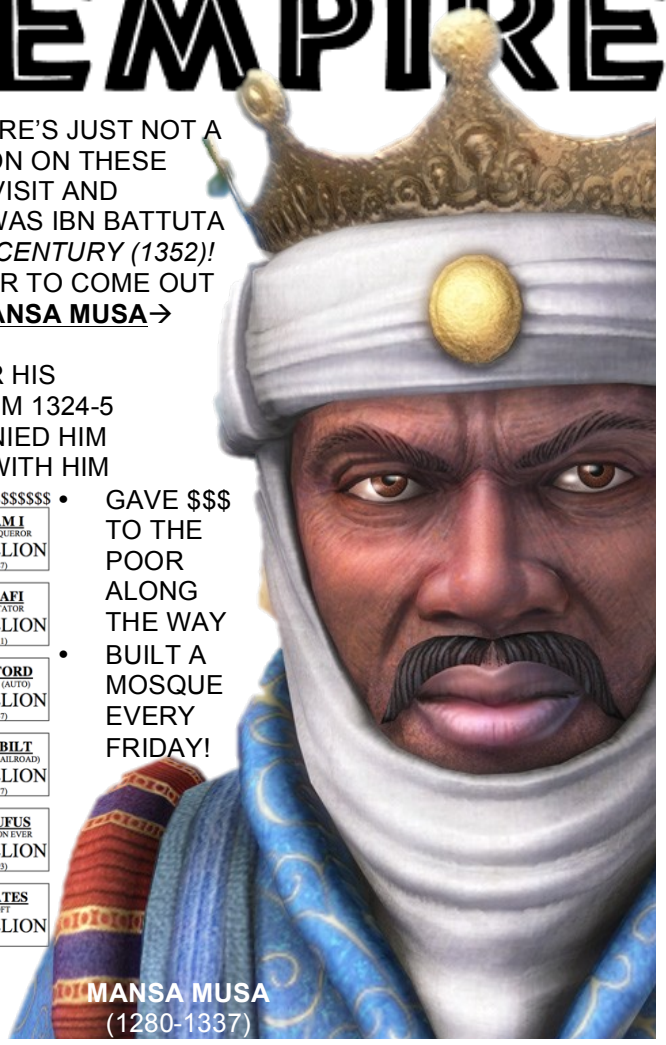


1375 CATALAN ATLAS SHOWING TIMBUKTU AS THE MAJOR TRADE CENTER IN WEST AFRICA. MANSA MUSA IS SHOWN OFFERING GOLD TO AN ISLAMIC MERCHANT. THE CATALAN ATLAS WAS THE MOST COMPLETE WORLD MAP OF THE TIME (INCLUDING INDIAN & CHINESE CITIES).

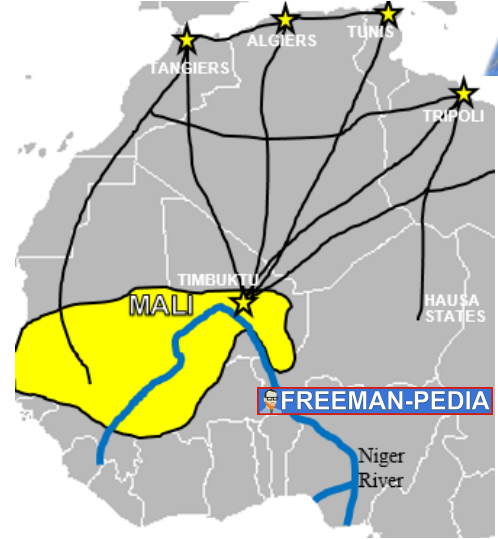
1		MANSA MUSA MALI EMPEROR \$400 BILLION (1280-1337)	7		WILLIAM I NORMAN CONQUEROR \$230 BILLION (1024-1087)
2		ROTHSCHILD BANKING DYNASTY \$350 BILLION (1740-)	8		QUADDAFI LIBYAN DICTATOR \$200 BILLION (1942-2011)
3		ROCKEFELLER INDUSTRIALIST (OIL) \$340 BILLION (1839-1937)	9		HENRY FORD INDUSTRIALIST (AUTO) \$199 BILLION (1863-1947)
4		CARNEGIE INDUSTRIALIST (STEEL) \$310 BILLION (1835-1919)	10		VANDERBILT INDUSTRIALIST (RAILROAD) \$185 BILLION (1794-1877)
5		TSAR NICHOLAS LAST TSAR OF RUSSIA \$300 BILLION (1868-1918)	11		ALAN RUFUS RICHEST BRITON EVER \$178 BILLION (1040-1093)
6		OSMAN ALI KHAN INDIAN PRINCE \$236 BILLION (1886-1967)	12		BILL GATES MICROSOFT \$136 BILLION (1955-)

• GAVE \$\$\$ TO THE POOR ALONG THE WAY

• BUILT A MOSQUE EVERY FRIDAY!



MANSA MUSA
(1280-1337)



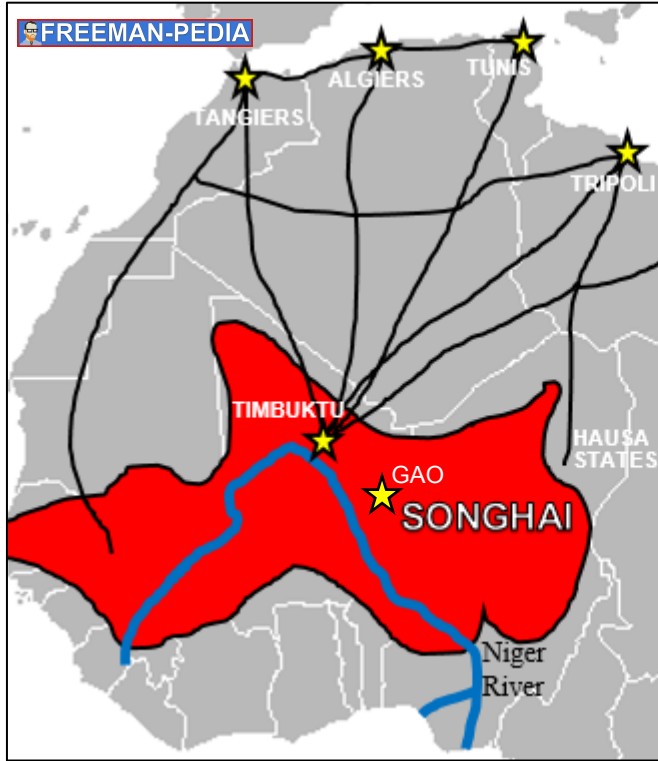
- VISITED CAIRO, MEDINA, MECCA
 - MET THE SULTAN OF EGYPT IN 1324
- PROBABLY HISTORY'S MOST FAMOUS PILGRIMAGE
- CHRONICLED BY MANY SOURCES
- GENEROSITY DESTROYED THE MEDITERRANEAN ECONOMY (TOO MUCH GOLD GIVEN OUT)
 - TO FIX THE GOLD MARKET, ON THE WAY OUT HE RE-BORROWED MUCH OF THAT GOLD AT HIGH INTEREST
- DUE TO HIS PILGRIMAGE, HIS OVERALL WEALTH HAS BEEN ESTIMATED AT \$400 BILLION (MAKING HIM THE WEALTHIEST MAN WHO EVER LIVED... SEE CHART)

FREEMAN-PEDIA

SONGHAI EMPIRE

(1464-1591)

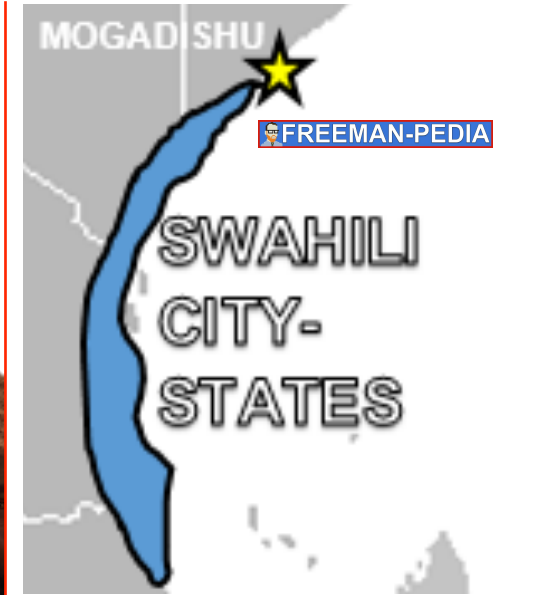
- AS THE MALI EMPIRE DISSOLVED:
 - SUCCESSION BATTLES DIVIDED THE EMPIRE LEADING TO THE RISE OF SONGHAI
- THE SONGHAI TOOK BACK THE CITY OF GAO
- THE SONGHAI EMPIRE LASTED FOR NEARLY 150 YEARS UNDER ABOUT 9 DIAS (KINGS)



- POST CLASSICAL SUBSAHARAN AFRICA IS ALWAYS DOMINATED BY MALI AND MANSA MUSA... BUT:
 - WHO WAS THE LARGEST EMPIRE IN AFRICAN HISTORY?
 - WHO WAS THE WEALTHIEST EMPIRE IN SUBSAHARAN AFRICAN HISTORY?
 - WHO WAS THE MOST POWERFUL EMPIRE IN SUBSAHARAN HISTORY?
 - A: SONGHAI EMPIRE!
- SINCE THE EMPIRE IS SO SHORT-LIVED; WHEN YOU DISCUSS THE SONGHAI, YOU ARE REALLY TALKING ABOUT THE REIGN OF THIS GUY →
- CENTERED EMPIRE AROUND GAO
 - "NO GREATER CITY IN WEST AFRICA"
 - Ibn Battuta
 - MASSIVE TRADE CITY
- CONQUERED TIMBUKTU
- ASKIA T. GREAT
 - DEVOUT MUSLIM
 - OPENED SCHOOLS
 - MOSQUES
 - TOLERANT OF NON MUSLIMS
- SONGHAI'S MANSA MUSA (SIMILAR PILG.)
- MOROCCAN GUNPOWDER FINALLY DEFEATED THE SONGHAI IN 1591



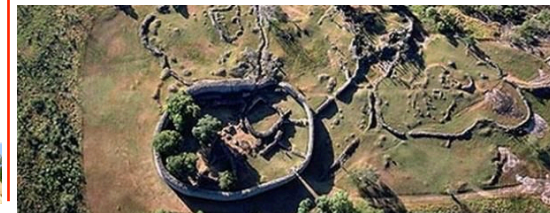
ASKIA THE GREAT (1443-1538)



- KNOWN AS ZANJ TO THE GREEKS
 - "LAND OF THE BLACKS"
- ROSE TO PROMINENCE WITH THE RISE IN THE INDIAN OCEAN TRADE
- NAMED FOR THE LANGUAGE THAT TOOK HOLD HERE
- SWAHILI=MIX OF BANTU & ARABIC



- SERVED AS CAPITAL OF THE KINGDOM OF ZIMBABWE (1220-1450)
- PROBABLY BUILT BY ANCESTRAL SHONA PEOPLE OF ZIMBABWE
- RACIST HISTORIANS ATTRIBUTED IT TO NON-AFRICAN SOURCES
- "ZIMBABWE"=STONE HOUSE
- FIRST RECORDED BY PORTUGUESE EXPLORER IN 1531
- 5m HIGH WALLS; NO MORTAR



AXUM

(100-940)



- OVER ON THE EAST SIDE OF AFRICA, THE PREMIER KINGDOM WAS THE KINGDOM OF AXUM (AKSUM) (AKA ETHIOPIA)
- TRADE:
 - KEY STOP BETWEEN ROME-INDIA TRADE (LOTS OF IVORY)
- TOOK OVER AFTER FALL OF THE KINGDOM OF KUSH (350 CE)
- KNOWN FOR THEIR LARGE STELLAE (SEE →)
- EARLY ON, JUDAISM REIGNED
 - AFTER 330, CHRISTIANITY
- MUSLIMS UNDER EARLY PERSECUTION IN MECCA SOUGHT/GAINED REFUGE HERE IN 615 CE
- 4TH CENT. PERSIAN MANI NAMED AXUM AS ONE OF THE 4 GREAT POWERS OF THE WORLD (PERSIA, ROME, CHINA)
- REMAINED FRIENDLY W/ ISLAM (SEE ABOVE)
- FELL INTO ISOLATION
- CONQUERED BY FEMALE LED INVADERS

