

Sample Lion Picture



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Mansa Musa Vocabulary Cards

abundant	scarce	Malinke	simbon
found in large quantities, plenty for everyone	limited or in short supply	the name given to the people of Mali	the name for “warrior” in Mali
 <small>blog.usa.gov</small>	 <small>my.slwmd.gov</small>	 <small>www.mcc.gov</small>	 <small>www.arthursclipart.org/africa</small>

<p>domestication</p>	<p>Mansa</p>	<p>griot</p>
<p>adapted to live in human control (plant, animal)</p>	<p>the name for “king” in Mali</p>	<p>An oral storyteller in western Africa who retells the history of a village or family</p>
 <p>www.dcr.virginia.gov</p>	 <p>anthro.palomar.edu</p>	 <p>www.wired-and-inspired.ca</p>

Mansa Musa Reading Organizer

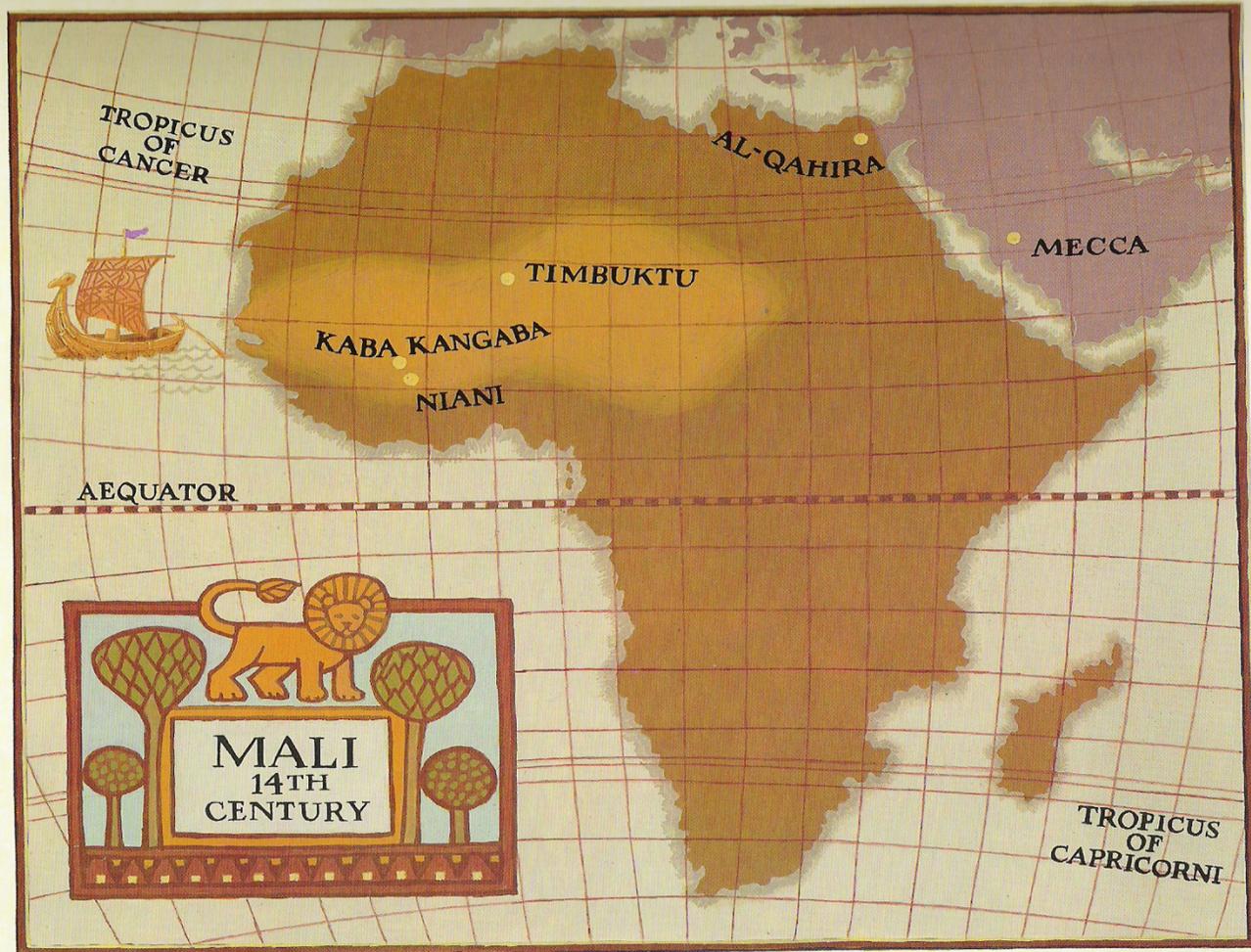
Name _____

Directions: As you hear the story *Mansa Musa*, write down ideas related to each category.

Islamic Influence	Natural Resources	Trade/Travel/ Transportation	Physical Features
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Mansa Musa Reading Organizer Answer Key

Islamic Influence	Natural Resources	Trade/Travel/Transportation	Physical Features
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traditional descendants from the east • Mecca, sacred city of Islam • Mosques • Gate of Conquests • Hajj- pilgrimage to Mecca • Birthplace of prophet Muhammad • The shrine of the Kaaba- Islamic holy site of worship 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Abundant <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gold - Copper - Fish - Salt • Scarce <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kola nuts - Shea butter trees - Water • Domestication <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Plants: millet, rice, yams - Animals: cattle 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Caravans- horse, camel • Mecca, where all roads converge • Travel by foot • Market trade- beads, spices, brocade, salt, gold, slaves, silk, fruit, man-made products • Buffalo, donkey trade carts • Timbuktu 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sankarini River • Red earth (soil) • Sand dunes, desert • Hot, dry wind • Mountains • Pastureland • Rain Forest • Desert oasis • Great western sea (Atlantic Ocean) • Sandstone plateaus • Volcanic rock • Dry riverbeds • Rock canyons • Nile River • Grassy savannah



Mali Match-up

Directions. Read each quote from *Mansa Musa* and the question that follows. Think about the meaning of the words and use the flashcards to find the appropriate matching answer.

1. "...Nearly all the women wore gold beads braided into their hair, and great earrings of gold hung from their ears."

What does this statement imply about the gold supply? _____

2. "The rains always came in the rainy seasons and the granaries were filled with millet, rice, and yams. ...the Malinke villagers raised cattle, and the forest gave them game to hunt."

a. What does this tell us of about the weather of Mali? _____

b. What does this reveal about the civilization of Mali? _____

3. "A stone's throw from Kaba Kangaba, the Sankarani [Niger] River provided fish to eat and fresh water, which the young people carried in water jars."

a. Why did the Malinke people settle in the Kaba Kangaba area? _____

b. Where did the young people carry the water? _____

c. What are possible uses for the river water? _____

4. "It was a source of great pride to the whole village to be admired by outsiders... that he might later boast of Mali's greatness in his travels ."

Why would the Malinke want others to know of their greatness? _____

5. "... According to tradition, [the elder clan] was descended from a wanderer from the east."

How did Mali tradition make it easier to accept Islamic ideas? _____

6. "I have come far seeking Mali and have found great wealth here. But I must tell your king that great wealth that the world *has not seen* is worth less to your children's children than a rumor of water to a people dying of thirst."

What is the meaning of the stranger's message? _____

7. "Kola nuts, especially, were considered a luxury among the desert people, who prized them not only for their refreshment...."

a. What does this imply about the availability of Kola nuts? _____

Mali Match-up **Answer Key**

1. "...Nearly all the women wore gold beads braided into their hair, and great earrings of gold hung from their ears."

What does this statement imply about the gold supply? The supply was abundant.

2. "The rains always came in the rainy seasons and the granaries were filled with millet, rice, and yams. ...the Malinke villagers raised cattle, and the forest gave them game to hunt."

a. What does this tell us of about the weather of Mali? There was predictable, annual rainfall.

b. What does this reveal about the civilization of Mali? They had mastered domestication of plants and animals.

3. "A stone's throw from Kaba Kangaba, the Sankarani [Niger] River provided fish to eat and fresh water, which the young people carried in water jars."

a. Why did the Malinke people settle in the Kaba Kangaba area? The river made the availability of water desirable.

b. Where did the young people carry the water? From the Sankarani [Niger] River back to the village.

c. What are possible uses for the river water? Drinking, washing, cooking, crops, and animals

4. "It was a source of great pride to the whole village to be admired by outsiders... that he might later boast of Mali's greatness in his travels ."

Why would the Malinke want others to know of their greatness? To promote commerce and travel to their kingdom

5. "... According to tradition, [the elder clan] was descended from a wanderer from the east."

How did Mali tradition make it easier to accept Islamic ideas? The Islamic prophet, Muhammad was seen as a wanderer from the East.

6. "I have come far seeking Mali and have found great wealth here. But I must tell your king that great wealth that the world *has not seen* is worth less to your children's children than a rumor of water to a people dying of thirst."

What is the meaning of the stranger's message? Mali may not always be remembered as a strong and wealthy nation.

7. "Kola nuts, especially, were considered a luxury among the desert people, who prized them not only for their refreshment..."

What does this imply about the availability of Kola nuts? They are a scarce and limited resource.

Mali Match-up Flashcards

Cut out and distribute, one set per student.

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