

Global history

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Early African History Notes

Who are the Bantu? clan/group of family members from North West Africa.
• early nomads → became ~~man~~ farmer

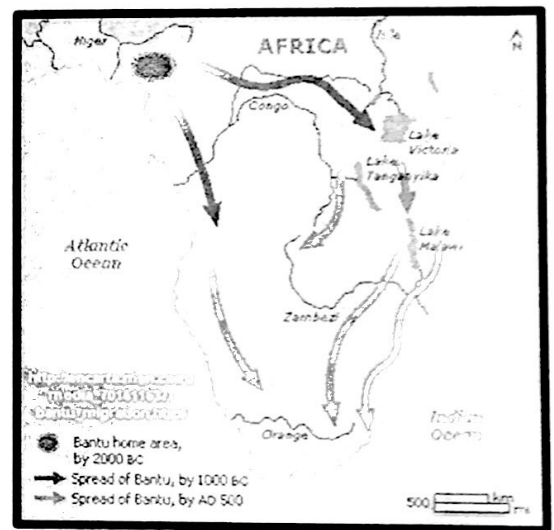
Bantu culture

- good ironwork
- Farmers

Bantu migration - Move from NW Africa to Southern Africa why - in search of fertile land

Results of Bantu migration

- cultural diffusion -
- becomes root of most



The empires of eastern African African languages

Nubia (Kush)

- located S. of ~~Egypt~~ Egypt on Nile River
- cultural diffusion - Pyramids + language from Egyptians

Axum

- located near Red Sea (good for trade)
- Christian

LOCATION!!! LOCATION!!! LOCATION!!! - TRADE

The Africa kingdoms of West Africa

*** West Africa ***

Ghana

Songhai

"Middle Man" → center of trade
↓
Gold from South, Salt from North (coast)
(desert)

- Able to tax traders
- Near Niger River

meet to trade
lots of it, ↓ value

Mali

→ Golden Age of West Africa

Mansa Musa - converts to Islam
leader of Mali during
Golden Age. becomes

Muslim. Takes Hajj
to Mecca - takes over
1 year, hands out gold

Returns with scholars
+ architects

Ibn Battuta

