1. Climate Zones
   1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
      1. Sahara and Kalahari
      2. Northern Africa and Southwestern Africa
      3. Cover about \_\_\_\_\_\_\_% of Africa
   2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Zones
      1. Northern coast, tip of the Cape of Good Hope
      2. Moderate rainfall, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ temperatures
      3. Fertile land, supports \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ population
   3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
      1. Congo Basin
      2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_% of Africa
      3. Heavy rain, high temperatures
      4. Dense forests
      5. Many disease carrying insects, including the tsetse fly, which can infect people and animals with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ sickness
   4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
      1. Central Africa, Eastern Africa, part of the island of Madagascar
      2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_% of Africa
      3. Grasslands with small trees and shrubs
      4. Unreliable amounts of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
   1. Spread through Africa along \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ routes
   2. Popular \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ religion in Northern Africa
   3. Popularity was supported by the widespread use of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ language
   4. The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (Muslim holy book) prohibited the enslavement of Muslims by other Muslims; religion became a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ against the slave trade
3. History of the Region
   1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_- west African storyteller
   2. These empires relied on storytelling and oral traditions to pass on information
   3. Written records of these empires comes from \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ writing about them
4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_: 300 to 1100CE
   1. Location
      1. Western Africa
         1. Modern day Mauritania, Senegal, Mali
      2. Along the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ River
      3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the Sahara Desert
      4. Savanna Grasslands
   2. Language
      1. Mande
      2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ brought by traders
   3. Leaders
      1. The name of the empire comes from the title “Ghana” which means \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in Mande
   4. Resources
      1. Cloth/textiles
      2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
      3. Salt
      4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
      5. Trade routes
         1. The location was its most valuable resource
   5. Miscellaneous
      1. First accounts of Ghana are recorded by the Arab \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
      2. Islam became the dominant religion
   6. Decline
      1. Attacked by the Almoravids
         1. Battles between the Almoravids and Ghana continued for \_\_\_\_\_ years
      2. Trade routes were \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ due to fighting
      3. Environment was destroyed due to introduction of non-indigenous animals that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
      4. Rebellions rooted in political discontent and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ made it easy to conquer
5. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_: 1235-1600CE
   1. Location
      1. Western Africa
      2. Modern day Mali, Niger, Senegal, Mauritania, Guinea, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
      3. Along the Niger River which allowed them to control \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ trade
   2. Language
      1. Mande
      2. Arabic
   3. Leaders
      1. Sundaita Keita
         1. Led Mali to defeat their rivals, the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
         2. Conquered \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
      2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
         1. Famously undertook a hajj
            1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_= pilgrimage/ religious trip to Mecca
         2. Was incredibly wealthy
         3. Supported \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and scholarship
   4. Religion
      1. Many of the upper class and merchants had converted to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
      2. Many people practiced a version of Islam that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ beliefs with the local traditions and beliefs
   5. Resources
      1. Gold
      2. Salt
      3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
         1. Major trade city
         2. Center of education and learning
   6. Decline
      1. The empire became less powerful with the death of Mansa Musa and his descendants could not maintain the large empire
      2. Conquered by the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_: 1461-1591
   1. Location
      1. South of the Sahara Desert
      2. Along the Niger River
      3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ miles stretch from modern day Niger to the Atlantic Ocean; including the modern day Mali
   2. Language
      1. Arabic
         1. Supported by trade with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from the Middle East and the growing population of Muslim West Africans
   3. Leaders
      1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
         1. Prince of the Songhai who had been held as a political prisoner by the Mali
         2. Escaped to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, which became the capital city
         3. Led invasions of important trading cities, like Timbuktu and Djenne
      2. Askia Muhammad
         1. Founded the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ dynasty
         2. Devout Muslim
         3. Took control of gold and salt mines from the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
         4. Government
            1. Divided the empire into \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ provinces
            2. All his advisors and administrators were \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
   4. Resources
      1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ trade
      2. Gold
      3. Salt
   5. Decline
      1. Weakened due to internal strife and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
      2. 1591- Moroccan army invaded and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Timbuktu and Gao
         1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ empire collapsed

