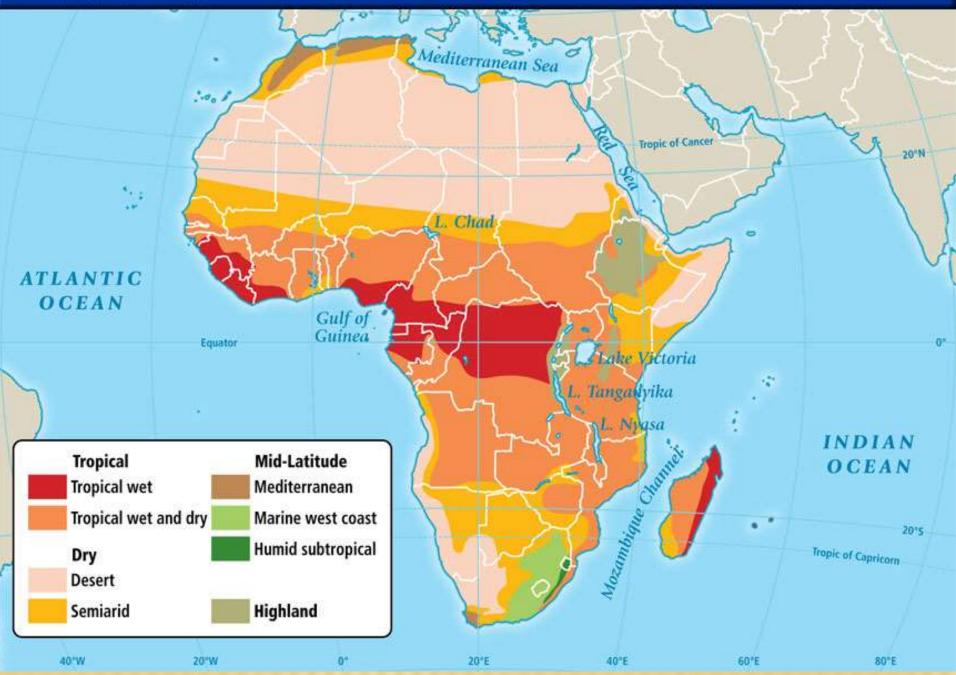
AFRICAN KINGDOMS

I. AFRICAN GEOGRAPHY

- A. <u>Sahara</u>- largest desert in the world located
- B. Savanna- grassland, largest feature
- c. Rainforest around equator

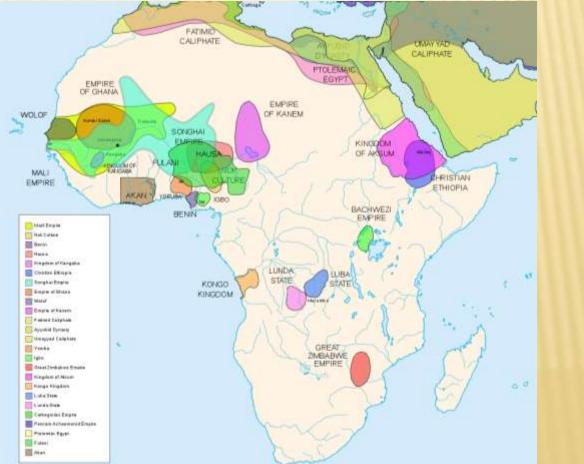


Climates of Africa



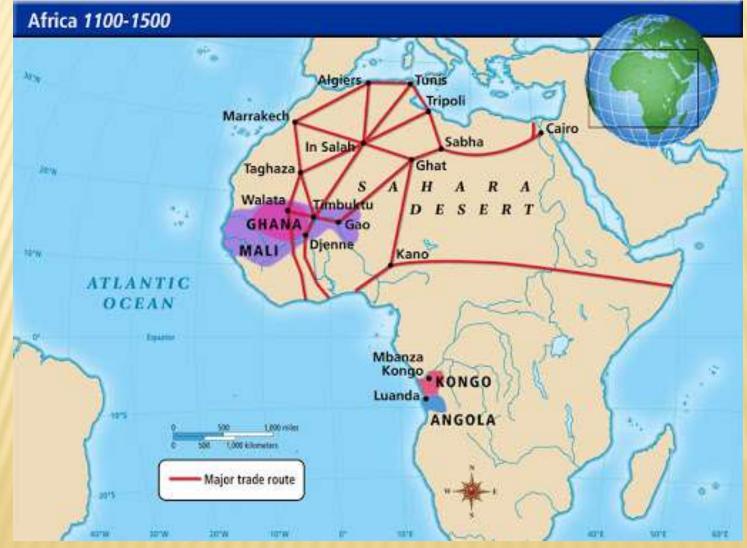
II. Impact of Geography

A. Few good lands for farmingB. Pastoralist lifestyle



C. Few written accounts

E. Trans-Saharan Trade Route- Trade and cultural diffusion between North and West Africa across Sahara



III. MAJOR KINGDOMS

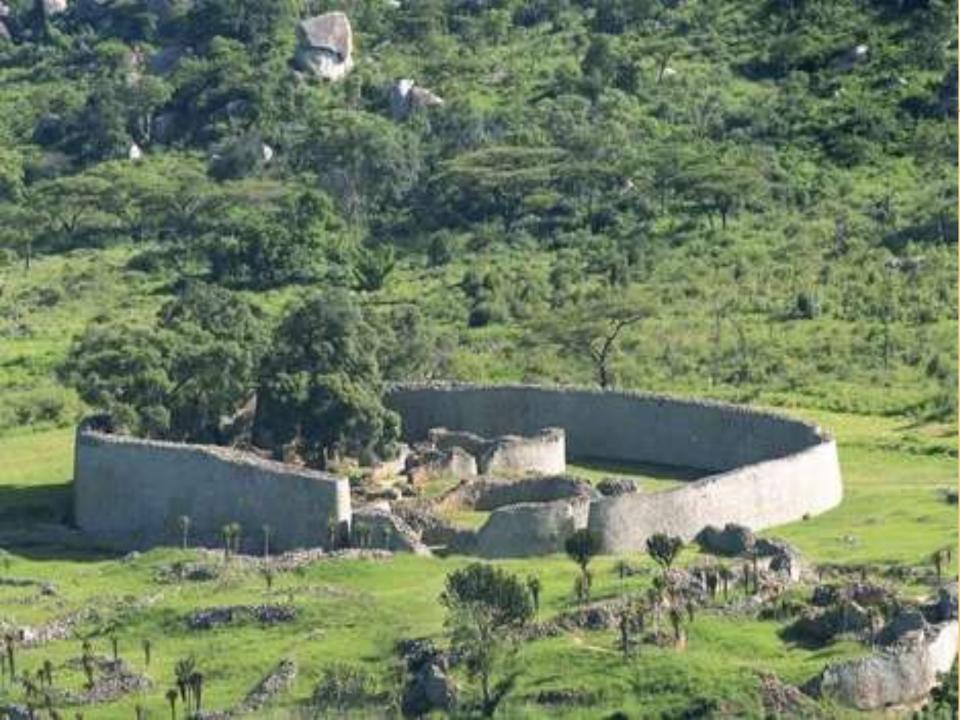
A. <u>Axum</u>- Christian kingdom

B. Great Zimbabwe





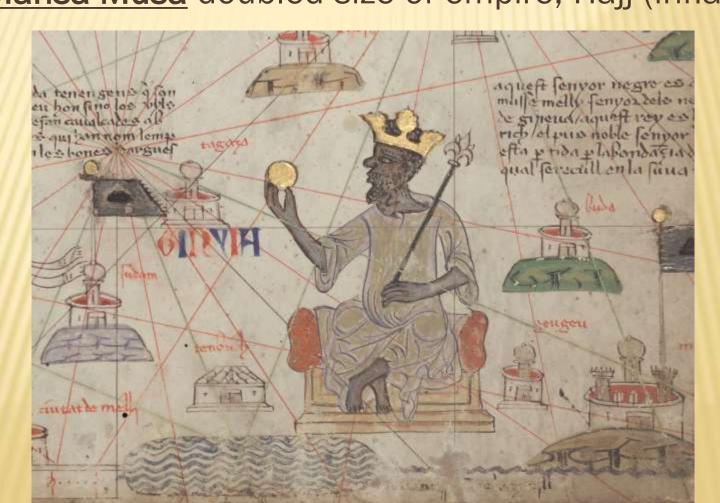






<u>**C. Ghana**</u> (300-1230) West Africa, exported gold, imported salt

D. Mali (1230- 1400) Replaced Ghana, Muslim 1. Mansa Musa doubled size of empire, Hajj (inflation)



IV. SLAVE TRAPE

A. All early civilizations had slavery: From war, tribute, debt, or offspring

B. Arab Muslims (Islamic Empires) first non-Africans to trade for slaves

C. Europeans were later a new market for African slaves

