Chapter 9: “African History to 1500,” begins page 336
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1. What is the largest continent in the world?
2. What is trypanosomiasis?
3. Given that horses are largely affected, do you think this impacted the Europeans, particularly the Portuguese?
4. What are griots?
5. The oral historical tradition associated with Africa, how did this impact European and American views of Africa.
6. The textbook discusses how terminology such as “tribe” influence western perspective of Africa. How has culture prevented the reality that “Africa has been a continent of innovation and change?” (344.)
7. Aksum is in present day __________________________.
8. What do the coins under King Ezana (r. 325 – 350 CE) tell us about his religious practices?
9. What precious medal brought much wealth to Ghana, Mali, and Songhai?
10. The first powerful African empire in west Africa was Ghana, which was located near which two rivers?
11. Who is Sundiata Keita?
12. What religion does Mali embrace in the 13th century?
13. Mansa Musa is today known as the richest man in the world. As a devout Muslim, he makes the hajj. Describe the experience.

14. ____________________, ____________________, and ____________________ were centers of learning in the Mali kingdom.

15. To explain the commonality in languages in many parts of Africa, historians look to the migrations of which people?

16. The Bantu migrations were most responsible for the spread of ________________technology and traditions of ____________________.

17. How would you describe Great Zimbabwe?

18. Why did German geographer Carl Maunch in 1871 conclude that people from Yemen not Africans must have built the grand structures?


20. Swahili is a syncretic langue of which two languages?

21. As Americans, we are more familiar with the Atlantic slave trade and will have a written assignment this unit regarding it. The Zanj slave rebellion was a major rebellion in the Indian Ocean slave trade. What happened?

22. Define African diaspora.