

The Hundred Years War began in Medieval Europe... meanwhile, elsewhere...



Mansa Musa, Emperor of Mali, became the richest person in history.

KEY INFORMATION:

The Malian Empire began under _____ took control in _____.
Mansa Musa reigned from _____ to _____. The empire was rich because of trade in _____ and, especially, _____. Its religion was _____.

On the modern day map below shade the areas that Mansa Musa ruled over. Mark on Timbuktu, his capital city.



Mansa Musa was (possibly) the richest person ever. **What is the most accurate estimate of his wealth?**

Mansa Musa went on Hajj in 1324. **What made his pilgrimage significant?** (Just choose 3 examples – there may be more!)

- _____
- _____
- _____

Important facts about the Malian Empire during the mid-14th century:

What was the size of the population? _____
How many cities were there? _____
How large was the army? _____
Which countries did Mali develop trade with? _____
What goods did they trade? _____

Timbuktu became a very important city under Mansa Musa. **Explain WHY it was so important?**

The Malian empire did not always leave written records, so it can be hard to find out about them. There are two main sources.

What is a *griot*? How do they pass on history?

Give an example of an Islamic scholar who visited and wrote about about Mali. Where were they from & where did they travel in their lives?

Useful websites, videos and podcasts:

- <http://www.blackpast.org/gah/mali-empire-ca-1200>
- <https://youtu.be/RuhVN5b8AFY>
- <http://web.cocc.edu/cagatucci/classes/hum211/CoursePack/coursepackpast/maligriot.htm>
- https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mali_Empire

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