**ETHNIC & RELIGIOUS Groups Map**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Period: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_



KEY

Ethnic Groups

Arab

Ashanti

Swahili

Bantu

Religious Groups

Christianity

Islam

Traditional Beliefs

1.Choose a color/pattern to represent each ethnic group. Add the colors/patterns to your key.

2.Color the areas on the map where each ethnic group is located.

3.Create a symbol to represent each religion. Add the symbols to your key.

4.Add the religion symbols to the areas of the map corresponding to the ethnic groups that practice it.

Africa’s Ethnic & Religious Groups

**QUESTIONS** Now that you’ve read and created a map and filled in your chart about Africa’s ethnic and religious groups, answer the following questions to see what you know.

1. What is an Ethnic Group?
2. What is a Religious Group?
3. How did Christianity get to Africa?
4. How did Islam get to Africa?
5. How did traditional beliefs get to Africa?
6. Describe two differences between Africa’s **traditional religions** and religions like

**Christianity** and **Islam**.

1. How are Africa’s **traditional religions** similar to religions like **Christianity** and

**Islam?**

1. Do people in the same ethnic group practice the same religion? Explain your answer and use two examples from Africa.
2. Compare the ethnic & religious groups on your map to the current political borders for each African country. The current political borders for each country were drawn by European rulers (ex. British, French) who took over Africa in the 1800s. What potential problem do you see when you compare how the ethnic & religious groups are distributed to the political borders established by the Europeans? Give at least 2 examples from the map to support your answer.

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| Ethnic Group | Location | Language | Religion | Other Facts |
| Arab |  |  |  |  |
| Ashanti |  |  |  |  |
| Bantu |  |  |  |  |
| Swahili |  |  |  |  |

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Read *Africa’s Ethnic & Religious Groups* to find out where each ethnic group lives in Africa, what language they speak and what religions they practice. Record the information in the chart below.

Africa’s Ethnic & Religious Groups Activity