



## African Culture



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- Influenced by what is known as Africa's ( )
- Religion based upon
  - North and East Africa due to
  - West, Central, and South Africa (denomination based upon )
  - Remote areas still practice indigenous religions, primarily
  - Isolated pockets of present in former colonies due to migrant workers from



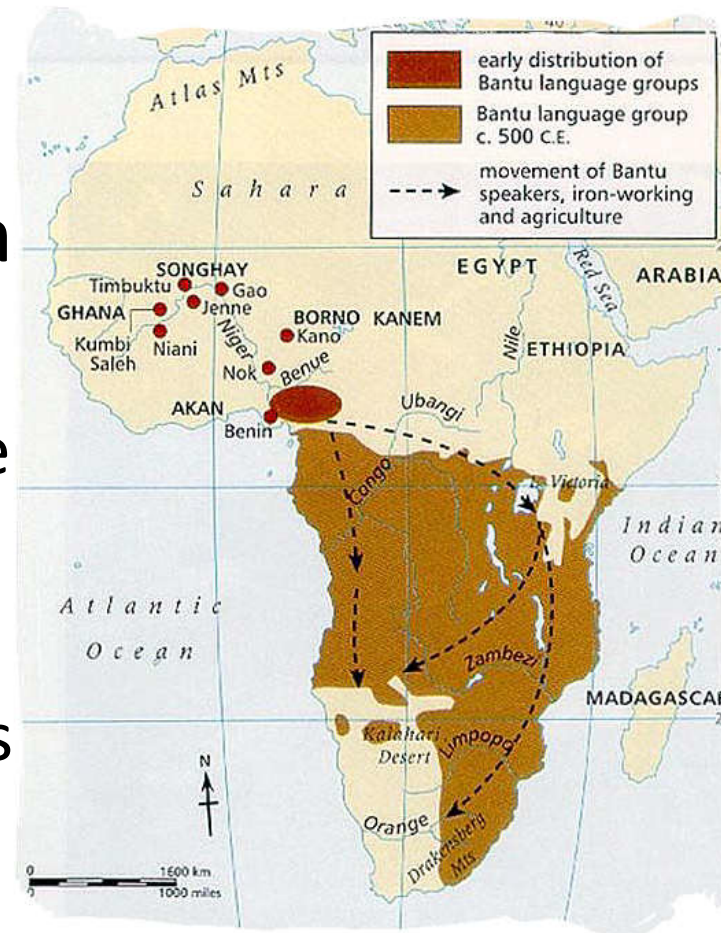
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- Native Languages are still practiced in remote areas
- Country's primary language is based on
  - Kenya: former colony; speaks
  - Algeria: country and colony; speaks
  - is a in East Africa made by blending
- Dress in all rural areas is still traditional, but urban areas have adopted dress



# Native Culture

- Sub-Saharan Africans all trace their ancestors to
- As the Bantu moved to southern Africa
  - Spread & blended their culture with the local people
  - Created a with local differences across Africa



# Native Culture

- Common native clothing across Sub-Saharan Africa is
  - Cloth made from  
made into threads and dyed
  - The colors, shapes, and  
patterns identify
  - Certain                does the same
- Most Africans eat  
                    , grain crops that



# Muslim Culture

- Around 650 AD, Arab armies expanded into North Africa, conquering the region and forcing people to convert to Islam
- In East Africa, Arab traders and missionaries resulted in the creation of Muslim communities and voluntary conversion of locals to the religion
- Since Islam is intolerant of cultures without Islamic influence, all aspects of native culture were suppressed or destroyed

# European Influence

- Europeans led by \_\_\_\_\_ explore African coast as they seek trade routes to
  - Slaves captured by \_\_\_\_\_
  - European participation in this encourages it, causing \_\_\_\_\_
  - Europeans set up \_\_\_\_\_ along West Africa to carry on \_\_\_\_\_

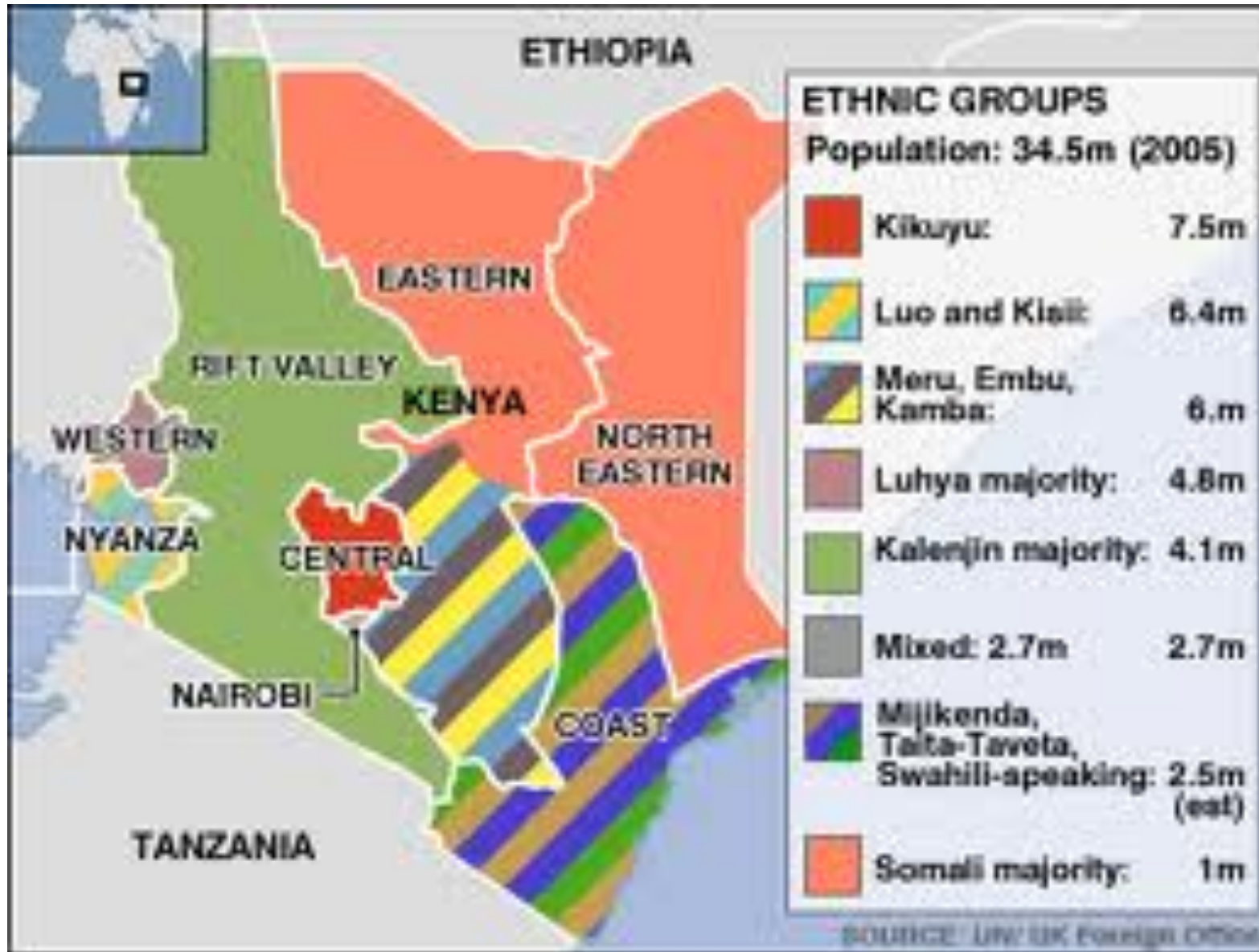


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- As Europeans colonize they come into competition with each other
  - The Berlin Conference of 1884 divides Africa into colonies amongst the European powers
  - Borders drawn with no regard to or input from
  - Some colonizing powers still fight over borders and resources (Boer War in South Africa)
- Only 2 countries escape colonization:
  - Liberia : established in 1847 by freed slaves from the United States
  - Ethiopia: used its military power to keep the British from enforcing its claim

# Kenya

Colonial border with no regard to tribes



# Colonization of Africa by Europeans



# European Influence

- Despite the negatives of colonization, some positives are produced:
  - grouped together in a single colony  
are forced to
  - Modernize Africa by building



# European Influence

- A culture of violence results due to...
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  - Colonization forced tribes to be
  - between natives and Europeans who stayed behind
  - No after independence (like in Latin America)
  - differences (ex: in Sudan and Nigeria)
  - caused by Europeans