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## Middle Ages: Africa

300 CE: the camel was \_\_\_\_\_

By the Berbers. They \_\_\_\_\_ trading—

Large \_\_\_\_\_ transporting gold,

Salt, timber, and ivory—traded and sold.

City-states would benefit from duties on imports

And exports

Throughout the Eastern coast.

King Mansa Musa would gain the most—

The Mali Empire's king

From 1312 to 1337.

He rose

When West Africa was \_\_\_\_\_ in gold.

In 1324, he took a \_\_\_\_\_ to Mecca.

His reputation spread; his caravan was mega.

Even Europeans heard of Musa's clout;

Africa, an economic powerhouse.

When the Catalan Atlas was published,

It showed Mansa Musa holding a gold nugget.

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Power, wealth, and growth.

New ideas spread;

Trade and empires rose.

Let's go! \_\_\_\_\_,

City-states expand,

More flourishing,

Gold and ivory trade,

More flourishing,  
Salt and timber trade,  
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The Berbers would trade goods and also cultures,  
Ideas, and language,  
Working with Arab traders.  
Adopted Islam, which was advantageous in trade,  
But African tradition was incorporated the same.  
Both the Mali and Ghana Empires  
Began to practice \_\_\_\_\_; this was the new norm.  
The same happened in the East with Swahili leaders.  
The \_\_\_\_\_ brought literacy to the people.  
Songhais even established Islamic law  
In the 15th century, and all across  
The continent, the people built many \_\_\_\_\_.  
This was a time of gain that turned into loss.  
The transatlantic slave trade and colonialism  
Could have hid this history by omission,  
But proof of this era remains  
Via statues, mosques, and universities the same.  
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