**Africa’s Study Guide**

Define the following words:

Bantu:

Griot:

Swahili:

Explain the type of climate of each region:

Savanna:

Mediterranean:

Rainforest:

Desert:

Be able to locate the following geographical features on a map:

* Sahara Desert - Indian Ocean - Atlantic Ocean - Atlas Mts. - Red Sea - Europe

Know the 4 rivers in Africa:

In the West African Kingdoms what trade fueled their economy: &

What river did the West African Kingdoms settle on:

Know the following people and their importance to Africa’s history:

Sundiata:

Mansa Musa:

Sonni Ali:

Name the 3 main West African Kingdoms:

What influence did gold have on the empires of West Africa:

What did all 3 W. African kingdom have in common:

Why was salt so valuable:

Which W. African emperor went on a Pilgrimage to Mecca and what was its impact:

What North African rival defeated the last W. African Empire of Songhai:

List important facts about the following East, Central, and Southern African kingdoms:

Axum:

Ethiopia:

Kilwa:

Great Zimbabwe:

Benin:

Used Swahili to help traders communicate: Known for its great art:

Ruled by kings called Obas: Replaced the Axum Civ:

Controlled Indian Ocean trade: Churches built out of rock:

Built stone enclosures around the town:

What were the two major dynasties of Ethiopia: &

Why did the Portuguese attack many cities of East Africa in the 1500s:

What were the walls of Great Zimbabwe used for?

Which king built 11 stone churches out of red volcanic rock?

Explain how Swahili developed in Kilwa:

Essay: Pick one

1. **What three factors made Ghana a wealthy kingdom?**
2. **How did Mansa Musa’s travels to Mecca help improve Mali (list 4 ways)**