



## Gold, Salt, and West African Empires, A.D. 1000–1500

- A.** Use the map on textbook page 147 to locate the following physical and political features. Then label them on the outline map on the back of this page. Also, title your map and fill in the legend with the appropriate information.

Physical Features		Political Features		
Mediterranean Sea	Senegal River	Muslim States	Gao	Taghaza
Gulf of Guinea	Niger River	Awdaghust	Ghat	Takeddaw
Lake Volta	Benue River	Benin	In Salah	Timbuktu
Lake Chad	Sahar	Cairo	Kano	Tunis
		Djenné	Koumbi Saleh	Walata
		Fez	Tadmekka	

- B.** After labeling your map, use it to answer the following questions.

1. In what order did the West African empires appear?

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2. Which empire covered the least amount of territory?

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3. Which city was in all three empires?

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4. How many miles would a trader from Timbuktu cover traveling to Cairo?

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5. Which city was closest to gold and salt resources?

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6. Which was the only empire to include a Saharan salt mine?

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7. Which Saharan cities were not a part of any empire?

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8. Which cities are located on the Niger River?

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