

# Benin Kingdom AD 900 - 1987



## Key vocabulary and concepts

Kingdom - a territory (place) ruled by a king or queen

Colonial - being under the control of another country

Slaves - humans who are owned by other humans and are forced to work without payment

Dynasty - a line of people from the same family who have an important role

Line of succession - the order that family members become the monarch if the current one dies, resigns or is removed from power

Exiled - sent away from your native country

Ogiso - the first line of Benin kings or 'rulers of the sky' AD 900-1100

Oba - the next line of Benin kings from AD 1100 onwards.

## Historical Enquiry

Primary - A primary source is a work that gives original information. e.g. artefacts, a diary, a building still standing

Secondary - is something written or created about that time period by a person who was not really there; e.g. from a book, the internet or a magazine.

Reliable - a trustworthy source, one of good quality. It is **likely** to be true.

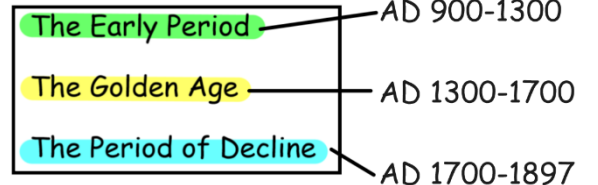
Biased - a person prefers an idea and possibly does not give equal chance to a different idea.

Significant/significance - important/importance

## Don't be confused!

The Benin Kingdom was located in modern-day Nigeria, in **West Africa**.

Modern-day Benin is a country of its own.



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**19<sup>th</sup> Century**