



# Year 6 Autumn Term: The Kingdom of Benin

## Timeline

- **1100's**—The **O**sigo dynasty ruled the **K**ingdom of **B**enin.
- **About 1170**—**O**duduwa sent his son, **P**rince **O**ranmiyan, to rule.
- **1180**—**E**weka renames the land **E**do. **O**ba dynasty begins
- **1489**—**F**irst contact with **P**ortuguese.
- **1553**—**F**irst **B**ritish ships land in **A**ncient **B**enin.
- **1896**—**T**he **B**enin **M**assacre
- **1897**—**T**he **P**unitive **E**xpedition

## Key Vocabulary

	Ogiso	an <b>I</b> godomigodo word meaning ' <b>K</b> ing of the <b>S</b> ky' or king
	oba	<b>Y</b> oruba word for king
	dynasty	a series of rulers from the same family or group
	<b>I</b> godomigodo / <b>E</b> do	name given by the inhabitants of the <b>K</b> ingdom of <b>B</b> enin to their people until <b>E</b> weka changed it
	<b>Y</b> oruba	<b>W</b> estern <b>A</b> frican people who inhabit areas of <b>N</b> igeria, <b>T</b> ogo and then <b>B</b> enin
	Osanobua	a name for the creator <b>G</b> od of <b>A</b> ncient <b>B</b> enin
	ohen	name for a priest
	reincarnation	a <b>belief</b> that people are born again in a new body after they die
	animist	a person who <b>believes</b> that living things and objects have souls
	pay tribute	to show respect or appreciate to someone, often done in public
	archaeologist	a scientist who studies human <b>history</b> by the things they have left behind
	trade route	a long-distance route between two places where goods would be transported
	profit	to make money from / gain financially from a buying or producing something
	<b>century</b>	100 years
	ivory	a hard, cream coloured substance from elephant, walrus or narwhal tusks

## End points

At the end of this unit, students should be able to:

Have knowledge of how the Kingdom of Benin developed.

Understand the beliefs and trade of the people of Ancient Benin.

Understand chronology and how to make a timeline.

**Assessments:** Baseline = timeline    Practise = explanation    Final = balanced argument