



KEY VOCABULARY

peoples

**members** of a particular nation or community

ceremony

a **social or religious occasion** often celebrating a particular event

Bamana Peoples

a group of **peoples living mainly in Mali, Western Africa**

headdress

a **covering for the head**, especially worn in ceremonies

Edo Peoples

a group of **peoples living mainly in southern Nigeria**

Benin City

a **city in southern Nigeria**, West Africa: Benin City flourished from the 14th-17th centuries as the centre of the Benin Kingdom

plaque

a **flat, decorated slab**, often square or rectangle that is fixed, to a wall or other surface and remembers an event or a person

relief

where **sculptures stick out from a flat surface**, rather than being made all the way around

cast

the process of making an object by **shaping liquid metal in a mould**

brass

a metal made by mixing two other metals, **copper and zinc**

ivory

a hard, white substance, **made from the tusks of elephants**, which can be carved

Benin plaque showing equestrian Oba and attendants, Nigeria (Edo Peoples)



1550-1680

Benin ivory mask of Queen Mother, Nigeria (Edo peoples) 16th century



antelope headdress, Mali (Bamana Peoples) 19th century/early 20th century

