

Grade 3 Social Studies Unit Plan
Unit 2 Topic: Case Study: Nigeria

Big Ideas	Essential Questions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Location of Africa and Nigeria in relation to oceans, continents, and the United States ● Distance in relation to parallels and meridians using cardinal and intermediate directions ● Environmental regions (savanna, tropical rainforests, and coastal wetlands) ● Plateaus (Mambilla and Jos) ● Rivers (Niger and Benue) ● Niger delta ● Rural and urban areas ● Semiarid savanna grasslands ● Climates and air masses ● Vegetation zones ● Location of Nigeria ● Cultural groups (Hausa, Fulani, Igbo, Yoruba, Edo, Ijaw, Kanuri, Ibibio, Tiv) ● Languages (English, Hausa, Igbo, Yoruba, Fulani, and over 500 hundred other languages) ● Settlements and population growth ● National symbols (flag, national anthem) ● Legacy of traditional culture ● Food, clothing, and homes ● Gender roles ● Schools (mission schools) ● Religious beliefs (Islam, Christianity), customs, traditions, and practices ● National and religious holidays, festivals ● Food, clothing, and homes ● Communities meet their needs and wants in a variety of ways, forming the basis for their economy ● Meeting needs and wants ● Surplus and scarcity of resources ● Basic needs for food, clothing, and shelter ● Each community develops an economic system that addresses three questions: what will be 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● How are world communities the same? How are they different? ● What is the geography of Nigeria and how does it shape the different communities in the country? ● In what ways do the geographic features of Nigeria affect its culture? ● Who are the people of Nigeria? ● What are the cultural practices and traditions of Nigeria? ● Why is trade an important part of Nigeria's history and culture? ● What is important to know about the history of Nigeria? ● How can analyzing photographs and images help us learn more about Nigeria's history and culture? ● What resources are important to Nigeria's economy? ● How has Nigeria's system of government changed over time? ● How have people in Nigeria fought for change in response to important social issues? ● How is life in Nigeria similar to and different from life in the United States? ●

produced, how will it be produced, and who will get what is produced?

- Role of supply and demand
- Agricultural production
- Communities from around the world interact with other people and communities and exchange cultural ideas and practices.
- Contributions from Nigeria: adire (cloth dyeing), cloth weaving, tailors
- Each community or culture has a unique history, including heroic figures, traditions, and holidays.
- Myths and legends
- Each community or culture has a unique
- Communities share cultural similarities and differences across the world.
- Arts (bronze castings, woodcarvings, terracotta sculptures)
- Music (Juju)
- Resources (coal, gas, oil, tourism)
- Role of supply and demand
- Agricultural production
- Producer of petroleum
- Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries
- Issues of human rights
- Responsibilities to protect human rights and treat others fairly
- Steps people can take to support social action and change
- Gender roles
- Schools (mission schools)
- Geographic features
- Rural and urban areas
- Culture
- National symbols (flag, national anthem)
- Sports
- Food, clothing, and homes
- Schools (mission schools)
- Religious beliefs (Islam, Christianity), customs, traditions, and practices
- National and religious holidays, festivals

Resources	Vocabulary
<p>Books</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Africa Is Not a Country by Margy Burns Knight and Mark Melnicove • Nigeria (A to Z) by Tamra Orr • Looking at Nigeria by Jillian Powell • Countries of the World: Nigeria by Kristin Thoennes Keller • Looking at Nigeria by Jillian Powell • The Yoruba of West Africa by Jamie Hetfield • Trade book titles and resources for the Hausa, Fulani, and Igbo language groups • Catch that Goat! A Market Day in Nigeria by Polly Alakija • Country Explorers: Nigeria by Mary N. Oluonye • World Cultures Africa: People and Places by Deborah Meade • Tug-of-War: Is Oil Production Beneficial to Nigeria? • To Be a Kid by Maya Ajmera and John D. Ivanko • Universal Declaration of Human Rights (Simplified Version) • Focus on Nigeria by Ali Bojang and Rob Bowden <p>Websites</p> <p>Physical Map: Nigeria: https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/6/61/Nigeriamap.png</p> <p>Map of Nigeria: Vegetation: https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/3/3d/Nigeria_veg_1979.jpg</p> <p>Inside the Yoruban Art of Adire with Chief Nike Davies Okundaye: http://www.okayafrica.com/news/chief-nike-davies-adire-yoruba-textile-art/#slide12</p> <p>Nigeria Deforestation image: http://nationalmirroronline.net/new/deforestation-nigeria-loses-400000ha-of-forest-targets-25-cover/</p> <p>A Day in the Life: Lagos, Nigeria: http://www.timeforkids.com/destination/nigeria/day-in-life</p>	<p>plateau rural urban climate settlement gender bronze casting legend independence empire vegetation semiarid myths export import branches of government human rights resources delta supply demand manufacturing physical map political map equator scale compass gulf mangrove reservoir savanna textile adire trade network</p>