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* Who were the Griots?
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is mostly remembered for his extravagant hajj to Mecca with, according to the Arab historian al-Umari, 100 camel-loads of gold, each weighing 300 lbs.; 500 slaves, each carrying a 4 lb. gold staff; thousands of his subjects; as well as his wife, with her 500 attendants.
* Name 3 early West African Kingdoms:

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* Ghana was the best place for traders to exchange the region's most valuable resources, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Mali was formed when a ruler named \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ united the tribes of the Malinke peoples. He led them to overthrow the Soso and the Mali empire grew stronger and took over surrounding kingdoms.
* What religion was an important part of the Mali empire?
* The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ river was helpful for trade center in Timbuktu. It flows northeast. Why does it flow northeast?
* Which geographical feature in Africa found on your “Geographic Feature Map” is a rolling grassland scattered with shrubs and isolated trees? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Write another example of trade/movement of goods that you’ve learned about so far in Quarters 1-3.