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This research project will explore what motivated Europeans to explore the African coast and the effects of that exploration. You will research **primary and secondary sources** to learn how Europeans colonized certain regions of Africa and what effects European colonization had on these regions. Early African civilizations thrived on **trade.** When the Europeans first arrived, trade continued as equals. However, it turned into the enslavement and forced migration of millions of Africans. WHY?

After the slave trade ended, Europeans wanted Africa's natural resources. By the 1900's Europeans countries had divided Africa among themselves.

The importance of this inquiry is to explore the good and bad effects **imperialism** had on pre-colonial Africa. You will decide if Africa would have been better off without European colonization. You will eventually answer the question: **Would Africa have been better off left alone?**

**What is imperialism? Define.**

This link has many primary sources for your use: [Imperialism in Africa](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1f3JHWP-7p3S3_3MFo9rIUtsSab0lp2Z5fwgsqNltbxQ/edit?usp=sharing)

This may also be a helpful link: <http://africa.mrdonn.org/index.html>

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| **What made Africa so valuable to Europeans?**  **Things you can search:**  **“natural resources in Africa,” “countries who colonized Africa,” etc.** | List the things that made Africa the perfect place for European Colonization here: |
| **How did Africans respond to European Colonization?**  **Things you can search: “African reaction to colonization,” “slave stories,” slave revolts,” etc.** | List examples of how African individuals respond to European colonization: |
| **How did Europeans leave their mark on Africa?**  **Things you can search: “Effects of European colonization on Africa,” “ancient Mali vs. Mali today” “ancient Ghana vs. Ghana today”** | List detailed effects of European colonization on Africa: |