

West Africa

Vocabulary

1. **incorporated**, *v.* combined into (190)
2. **brocade**, *n.* a cloth woven with an elaborate design (191)
3. **native**, *adj.* the place of one's birth (193)
4. **millet**, *n.* a type of grain (195)

1. The Reader states that West Africans incorporated their own traditions into Islam. Reread the text from the “Kaaba” box, on page 18. How did Muhammad similarly incorporate the traditions of the people of Arabia into Islam?

2. What do you think the people who met King Musa on his pilgrimage to Mecca meant when they said that he “almost put the African sun to shame”? Clue: Think about the color of the sun and about what King Musa carried with him on his pilgrimage.
