



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

