

7.15 Examine the importance of written and oral traditions in the transmission of African history and culture

I. Oral Traditions

- A. Oral tradition means that the stories were _____ rather than written down
- B. _____ and traditions were passed down through _____
- C. It was the responsibility of the clan/trib to _____ the traditions and the _____ of their people
- D. This was one way the children were _____
- E. _____ were people who _____ the stories from the past and teach children about the culture through _____, _____, and _____
- F. The griots were the tribe's _____
- G. African stories were usually _____ with music and dance
- H. Because people hold these stories in their _____, sometimes the stories change over _____
- I. Every _____ culture has created stories to understand the _____ around them
 - 1. Sharing human _____: to express or communicate _____, feelings, ideas, and information
 - 2. Passing on _____ and culture: storytelling, _____, legends
 - 3. Recreational: _____ for entertainment

II. Music and Dance

- A. _____ is a very important part of traditional African cultures
- B. Music accompanies _____ and _____ (drums and strings)
- C. Music and _____ are not thought of as separate; they are done _____

III. Bantu

- A. Group of people who originally live in _____
- B. _____ in search of fertile land
- C. Spread their knowledge of _____, _____, and _____ across the continent
- D. Today almost $\frac{1}{3}$ of Africans speak a language derived from the _____