



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

