



# OUR CULTURE

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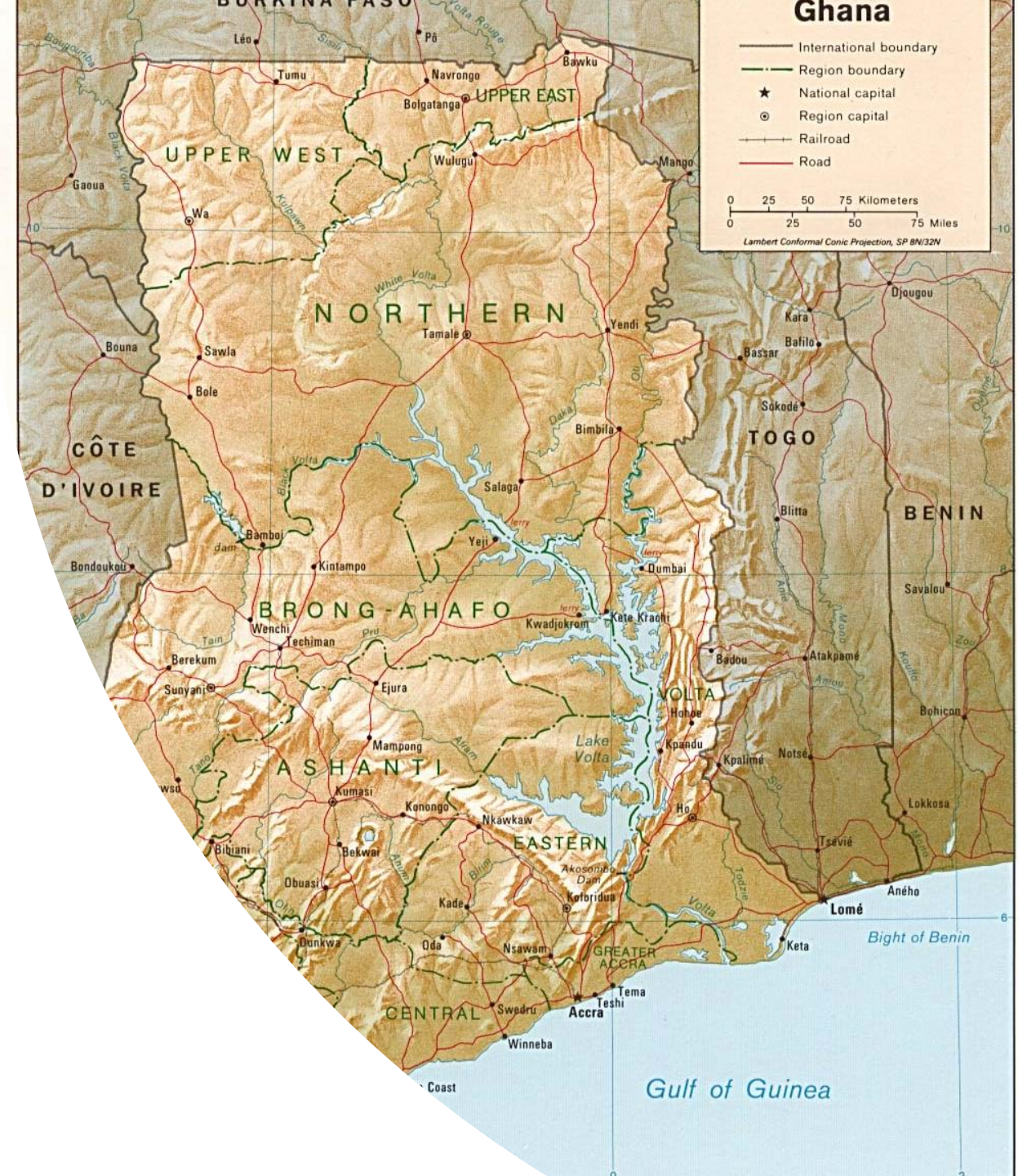


GHANA



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Ghana, country of western Africa, situated on the coast of the Gulf of Guinea. Although relatively small in area and population, Ghana is one of the leading countries of Africa, partly because of its considerable natural wealth and partly because it was the first black African country south of the Sahara to achieve independence from colonial rule.



# THE LANGUAGE

Thanks to colonization our official language is ENGLISH. But our traditional or our original language from Ghana is listed below

1. AKAN (Ashanti, Fante, Akuapem, Akyem, Kwahu) Twi
2. DAGAARE Spoken in Upper Western Region
3. DANGBE Spoken in Greater Accra
4. DAGBANE Spoken in Northern Region
5. EWE Volta Region
6. GA Greater Accra Region
7. GONJA Northern Region
8. KASEM Upper Eastern Region
9. NZEMA Western Region

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# GHANA'S FOOD

The most common soups are light soup, palm-nut soup, and groundnut soup.

Fufu is one of the most common and popular dishes. Produced by pounding plantain, cassava, or yam, you wrap other foods in it and enjoy!

A very popular dish is Jollof rice. It's a rice dish with tomato sauce and chicken. You may find it similar to dishes from around the Caribbean and New Orleans in the US (namely Jambalaya or dirty rice). This is not a coincidence, as many of those dishes owe their origins to West African cuisine. Plus it's better than Nigerian Jollof no questions or comments point blank period.

Fish dishes are very popular and very good in Ghana.





# TRANSPORTATION IN GHANA

The most ubiquitous form of transportation in Ghana is the Tro-Tro. These are van like vehicles that load up on passengers and proceed along regular routes. Tro-tros will typically have a “small boy”. These are young men who rustle up passengers and collect fares.



Tro-tros can get very packed, so be prepared to squeeze in.



Chartered buses and taxis are also cheap and widely available.

# EDUCATION IN GHANA

The education in Ghana is enforced by corporal punishment. This a culture practiced in Ghana to ensure discipline in school and for the students to achieve academic excellence. The Republic of Ghana has 12,630 primary schools (of which Globe Aware has built 2), 5,450 junior secondary schools, and 503 senior secondary schools, 21 training colleges, 18 technical institutions, and five universities. Entry to university is determined by examination.



# GHANA'S ECONOMY

Ghana is primarily agricultural. Common crops are Okra (pronounced Okra), bananas, and mangos.

Mining and petroleum also make up a not-insignificant part of the economy. Furthermore, recent major oil discoveries in Ghana point towards these industries playing an even larger role in the economy's future.

Ghana has a relatively advanced industrial base. Auto assembly, oil refining, flour milling.

Tourism is one of the largest industries in modern



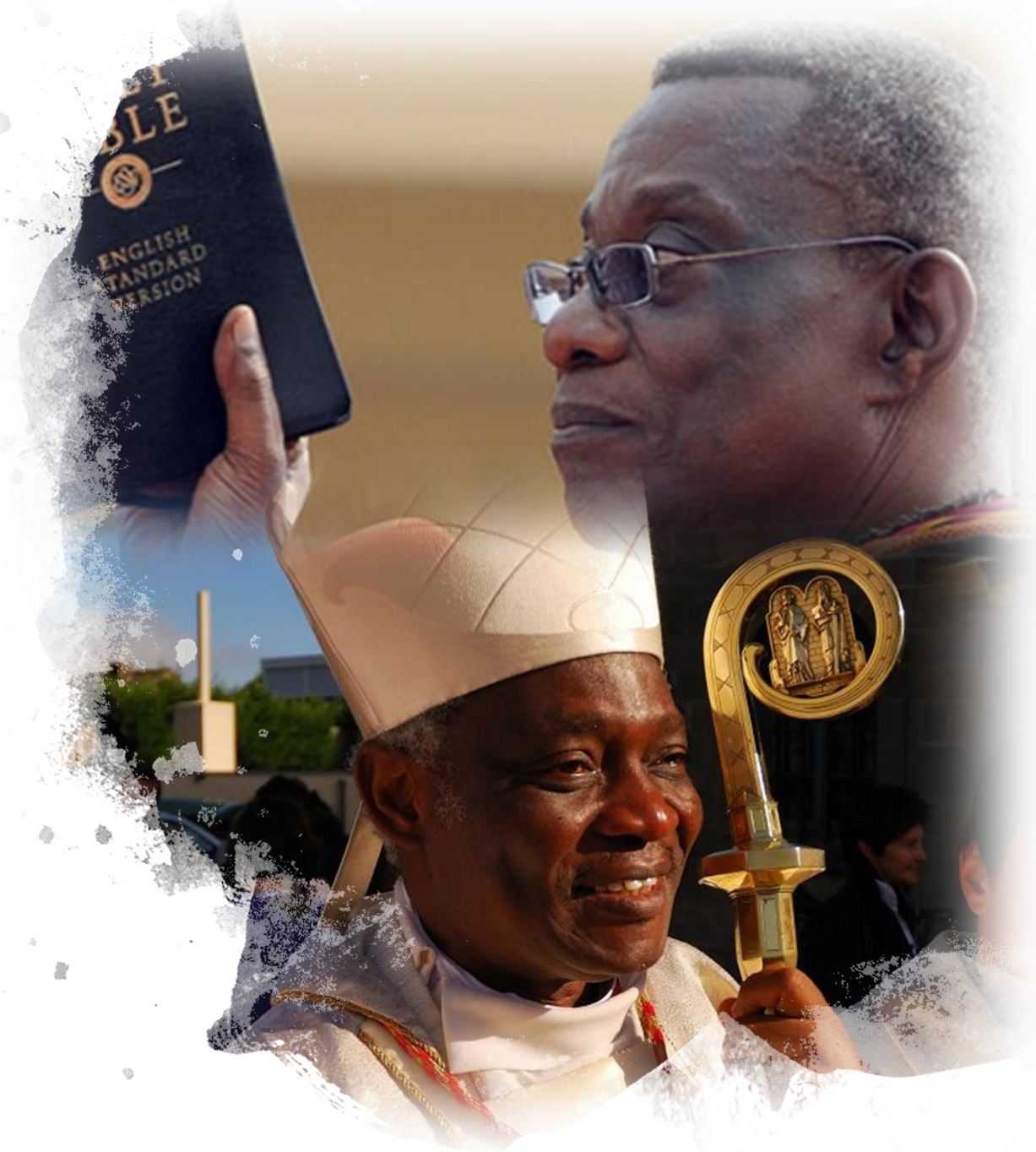


# RELIGION IN GHANA

60% of Ghanaians are Christian. 50% are Muslim, 25% traditional African religion.

Ghana has the highest percentage of Christians in West Africa.

Christian sects present include Mormonism,



# SPORTS IN GHANA

Sports has played a major role in Ghana such as Football also known as soccer, boxing and we are adapting to other form of sports such as basketball and golf.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ILGIFkvLtYo>

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As in many African countries, you will find that Rhythm is central to much of Ghana's musical

Stylings. You will see the many different drums and drum styles on display at tribal/community

gatherings during your stay. Hip Hop is extremely popular in Ghana, as is Reggae. Dancing is a key ingredient to appreciating Ghanaian and African music.

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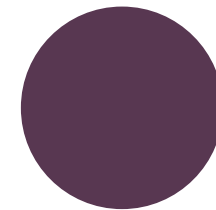
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# MUSIC IN GHANA





BANGLADESH

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**Bangladesh**, located in South Asia, is a small nation that also happens to be the most densely populated country in the world. Bangladesh is full of natural resources, and hard working people, and brilliant minded students that attribute to its growing economy, despite being a relatively new nation. In addition its rich cultural practices, delicious food, and security of its identity has contributed to great nationalism within the Bengali community.



# THE LANGUAGE

The official written and spoken language of Bangladesh is Bangla

The majority of people know how to speak and understand Hindi as well, as a result of Bollywood movies

Children are taught UK style of English in schools

Each district may speak a different dialect on Bangla

One district, named Sylhet speaks Sylheti, which is very different from normal, Propper Bangla

Many know how to read Arabic as it is a Muslim nation

Bangla is one of the most widely spoken languages in the world

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# BANGLADESH'S FOOD

Rice or ruti is eaten as a staple food. Fish, poultry, beef, lamb, goats, all eaten. Pork is eaten rarely. Fish is very popular. A very popular dish is biriyani, flavorful fragrant rice cooked with a protein (beef, chicken, goat). Street food is very common, some examples are samosas, kababs, fruit chaat, jhal muri. Food generally hot, contains lots of spices. Very flavorful.

# TRANSPORTATION IN BANGLADESH

Most common form of transportation is the rickshaw. These are man powered bicycle type carriages. Auto's are also common and powered by electricity.

Cars, public busses.

Public transport generally cheap, with a rickshaw ride costing around 30 taka.

Upper middle class/ high class families often have personal or family drivers.

Can be dangerous, overcrowding and lack of regulations lead to high traffic.





# EDUCATION IN BANGLADESH

Public education is pretty new, and very competitive

Strict school system, corporal punishment is newly discouraged.

School system in general is very competitive due to the large population.

Based on the European education system.

Highly competitive, students are ranked on everything from grades to exam scores on exams such as metric.

It is common for students to apply for international studies for university.





# BANGLADESH'S ECONOMY

Leading exporter of garments due to the cheap cost of labor.

Agriculture makes up the largest percentage of the economy

Lots of natural resources present.

Companies like H&M and cosmetic companies.

Experiencing economic growth

# RELIGION IN BANGLADESH



90% Muslim 9% Hindu 1% made up of Christians, Buddhists

The call of prayer can be heard all over the nation 5 times daily



Eid celebrated widely, major holiday, so is puja



# SPORTS IN BANGLADESH

The national sport is cricket, which is similar to baseball

One of the most famous cricket players in Bangladesh is Shakib Al Hasan

Soccer, known as football is widely played as well, many watch every match, the world cup is a huge deal in Bangladesh with many staying up till odd ours to follow each game



# MUSIC IN BANGLADESH

Rabindra sangeet, Nazrul Geeti.

Modern era, music has taken western influence.

Popular instruments include the sitar, flute, pump organ, traditional drums.

Traditional dancing is most commonly accepted classical music most popular, musicians such as

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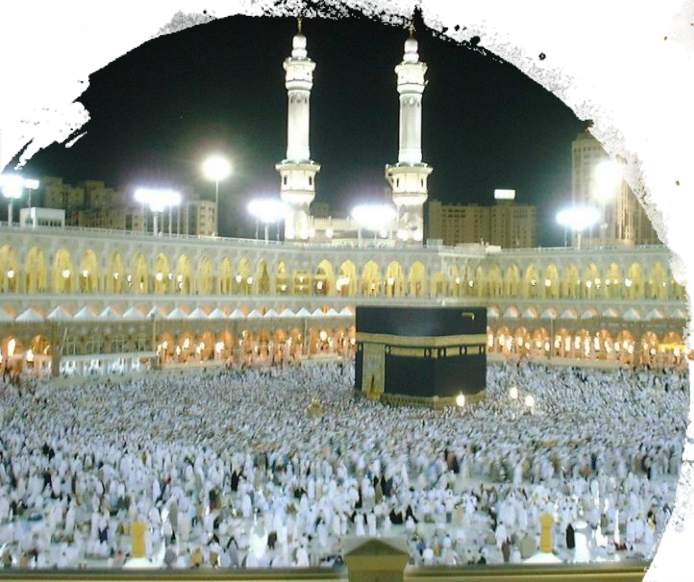
# SIMILARITIES OF OUR CULTURES

Rice and Fish are popular foods in both countries  
Food is eaten with hands

Family Status is important, and a determining factor

Islam is practiced in both countries

Both colonized by the British by the British, leaving English influence

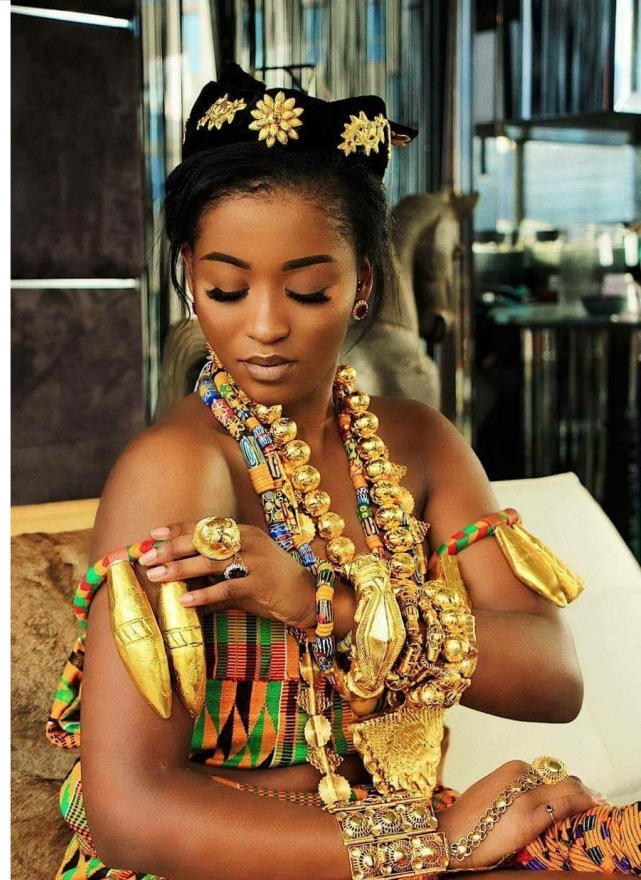


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