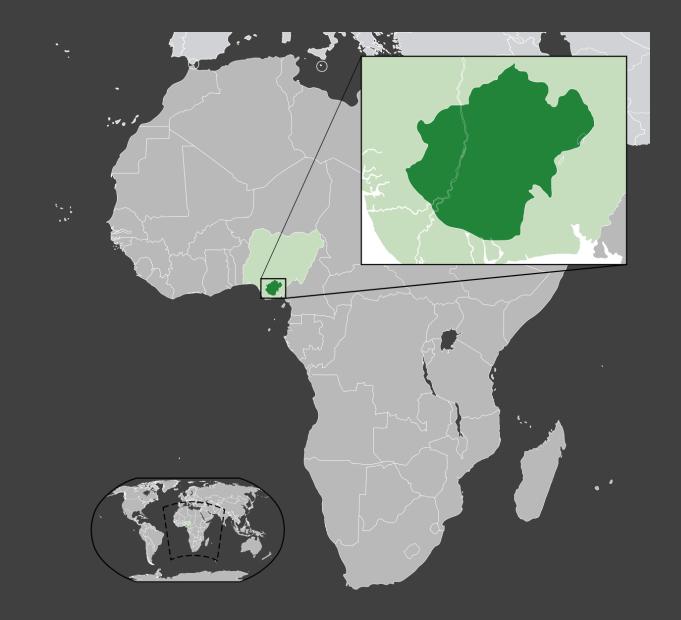
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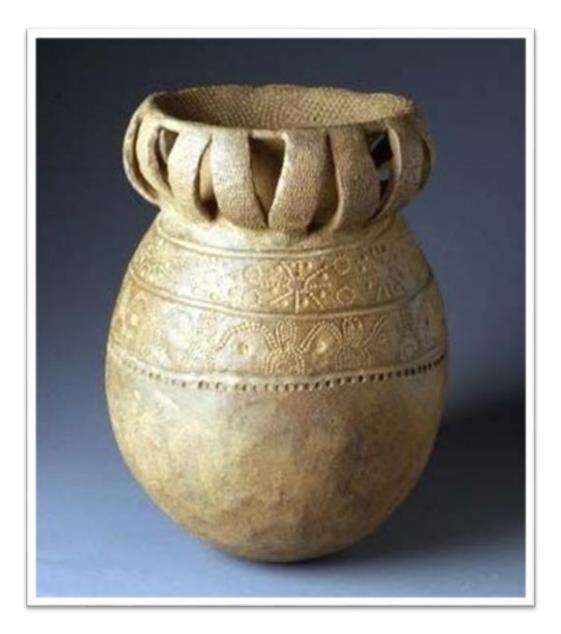
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Location of Igbo Tribe

- The Igbo Tribe is located in Southeastern Nigeria
- Second Largest group in Southern Nigeria
- The Igbo Tribe population numbered around 5.5 million



Origins of the Igbo Tribe

- The origin of the Igbo Tribe dates to 250,000 years ago with evidence of man-made tools that consisted of axes, hammers, and pottery
- The Igbo people are believed to originate about 100 miles north of their location in southeastern Nigeria
- The first Igbo people in the area were believed to move to the Awka-Orlu plateau about 4,000 to 5,000 years ago

Contact With the Europeans

- The first contact point of the Igbo people and the Europeans happened in the fifteenth century
- The contact was first initiated by slave trade
- The first contact with the Igbo people related to the trading that occurred along the coast of Nigeria.





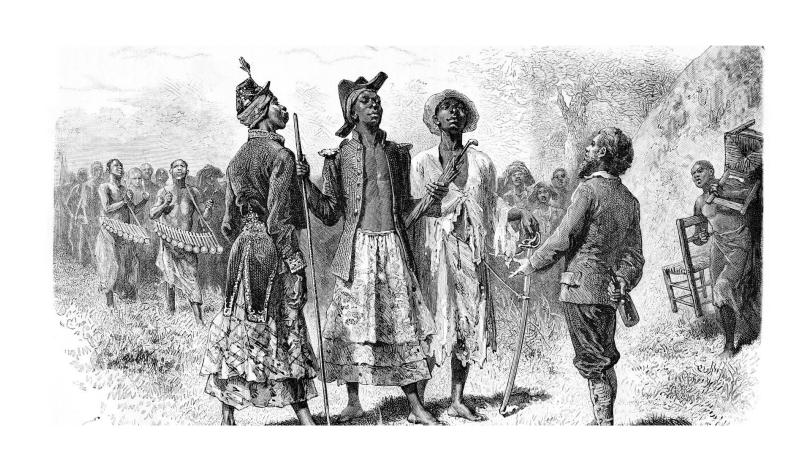
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Trading

- Within 1434-1807 the coast if Nigeria acted as a contact point between African and European traders
- The trading first began with the Portuguese, then the Dutch and lastly the Africans traded with the English last
- In 1807 a new trading era was formed with the Europeans
 - They traded palm products, timber, elephant tusks and spices
- The Igbo Tribe traded yams, palm oil, and palm kernels with other African Tribes

Imperialism

- The Europeans main goal when they encountered the Igbo tribe was Imperialism
- The Europeans wanted to expand their power and their land by taking the land of the Igbo people
- The Igbo People were unaware of the purpose of the Europeans



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