Scramble for Africa

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1. This is a story of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ exploitation.
2. The kick off to this wave of terrorism was the late \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
3. Europeans descended upon Africa and \_\_\_% of Africa was captured. This occurred by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ diplomacy. Just the threat of military force was enough to force the local chiefs to sign a treaty.
4. This happened because Europe was in the throes of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. They needed raw materials for a new consumer lead demands, dawn of industrial scale production, capitalist economies and global trade.
5. Africa was also a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for these new European products.
6. Colonialism had become a fast track to compete in Europe and nations were vying for supremacy. This competitiveness extended to Africa
7. In Feb 1885 they signed the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. This act abolished slavery and allowed free trade but also essentially legalized the carving up of Africa by drawing new \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and making the conquered peoples subject of their new empire. And making 6000 – 10 000 political units into fewer than 50, separating people and combining people that should never be joined. Africans had no say.
8. They justified it by saying they were bringing \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the African people. Some felt it was a humanitarian mission. However it was all ‘master and servant’ and the roots of Apartheid.
9. Only \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ remained autonomous.
10. Once slavery was abolished and the slave traders left they were replaced by new masters in the form of Colonial empires.
11. Examples of resources the colonies were after were: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
12. It was more than just the resources, France for example wanted to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the people and impart the French language and culture on them, but they were not granted full \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
13. The colonizers had relatively few boots on the ground. The British took indirect control by appointing local leaders. This rule by ‘\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_’ fostered enmity between tribes. Enmity means \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. An example of this is the favored minority \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ tribe in Rwanda.
14. When half a million troops were used in the Second World War. The plunder of African’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ had matched the natural resources.
15. After WWII the French & British begin the idea of the extension of citizenship and to appoint them in local assemblies and administration. This however didn’t appease the marginalized Africans and we see a rise of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. This was also seen globally in Asia and the Middle East. They now struggled for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
16. At this time the United Nations pledged self-sovereignty and recognized the grievances of Colonized peoples. Also at this time, failing European \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and lower prices for African resources meant that these colonies were expensive to keep especially by devastated European post war economies.
17. Even as late as the 1950’s some felt that the colonies could be saved but the new African \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and illiterate masses exposed the new nationalism.
18. In 1957 Ghana was the first African country to\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
19. After the ‘Winds of Change’ speech, 1960 was hailed as the ‘Year of Africa’ as Britain freed \_\_\_\_\_\_ territories and France \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. To put this in context, Mr. Miller was born in 1960!
20. No sooner had African countries shed the shackles of Colonialism then they had a new reality. The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ War. African countries had to choose and the two Super Powers set up leaders and supported governments that suited their ideologies, American capitalism, and the Soviet command economy.
21. What would replace the strong arm of Colonial rule? It is surprising that the Europeans didn’t really introduce the idea of ‘democracy’ to Africa. This all happened so quickly that bitter and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ struggles filled the void.
22. The 1960’s were a very violent decade and the introduction of “new leadership for whom no one \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.”
23. In many cases educated elites were overrun by militias and the consequences of ‘ruling by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ‘ came to light. Suddenly all the tribes had to be no longer tribal members but members of the new country. Ethnic violence emerged. Treating peoples and tribes differently lead to inequities and imbalance and lead to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ war.
24. In the case of the French, they never left… they secretly stayed and this lead to ‘\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_’ of French rule.
25. Ever since independence domination of resources has continued and fueled violence in many states. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ have continued to plunder and cripple \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ economies. Today there is complicity between African rulers and Western \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Outside investment is very important.
26. Today Africa is the largest recipient of external \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the world. For every aid dollar coming in, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ illegal dollars flow out. Many go to European tax havens. Common African’s have not benefited. Foreign banks and multi nationals and banks have benefited.
27. Now \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ has now come to this scenario to export natural resources.