

Timeline of the history of Nigeria

Project Timeline:

As you work through this book, add dates and information to your timeline in order to maintain a good overview regarding Nigeria's colourful history.

| Era | Time/Years | Events |
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| | Many thousands of years ago | first civilizations in present-day Nigeria |
| Pre-colonial era | 1400s | Portuguese navigators reach Nigerian coast |
| | 1500s | slave trade |
| | 1800 | Islamic Sokoto caliphate is founded in north |
| | 1861 | annexation of Lagos as a British colony |
| Colonial era | 1922 | Part of former German colony Kamerun is added to Nigeria under League of Nations mandate |
| Post-colonial era | 1 October 1960 | Nigeria granted independence under a constitution with parliamentary government Sir Abubakar Tafawa Balewa |
| | Jan 1966 | Balewa killed in coup |
| | 1967 | Biafra War 3 states as Rep. of |
| | | military government July counter-coup |
| | 2019 - today | Republic with Bola Tinubu as President |