

# **Nigeria History**

# Key Terms

<b>Hausa-Fulani</b>	<b>Igbo</b>	<b>Yoruba</b>	<b>coup</b>	<b>Ibos</b>
<b>countercoup</b>	<b>NPP</b>	<b>Johnson Aguiyi-Ironsi</b>	<b>Yakubu Gowon</b>	<b>Olusegun Obasanjo</b>
<b>Alhaji Shehu Shagari</b>	<b>Muhammadu Buhari</b>	<b>Ibrahim Badamasi Baban</b>	<b>Sani Abacha</b>	<b>Abdoulsalami Ababakar</b>
<b>Olusegun Obasanjo</b>	<b>Boko Haram</b>			

# Colonial Era

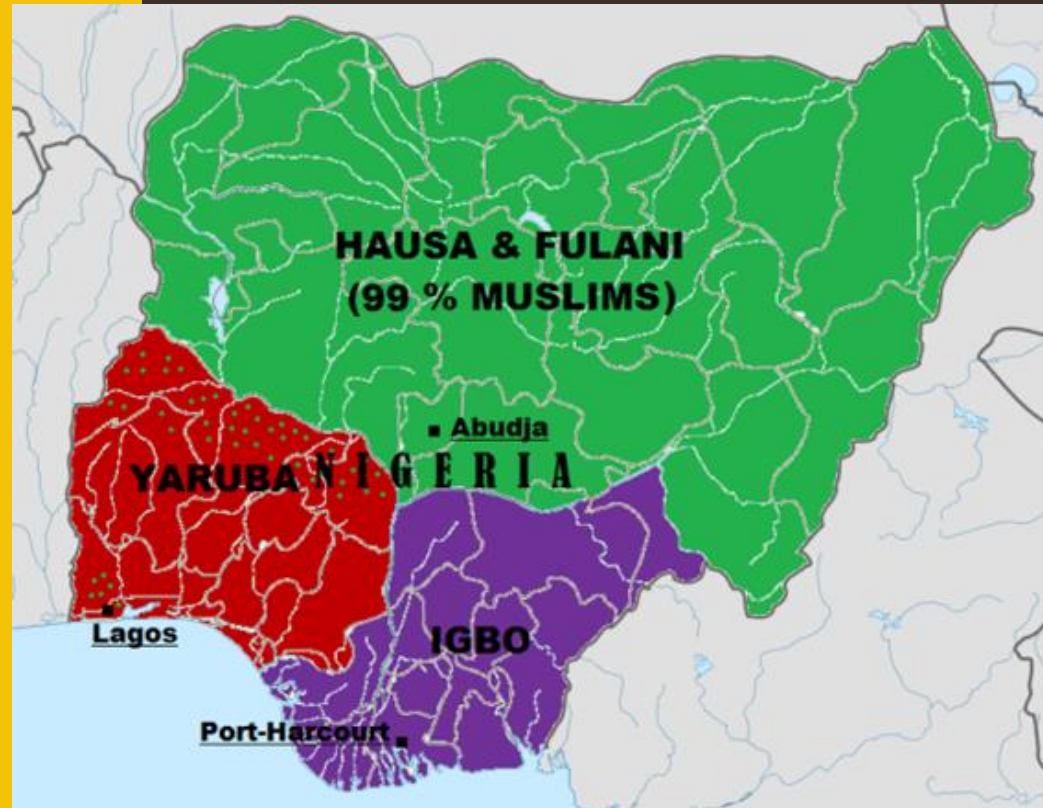
- **Nigeria first became an entity in 1914**
- **Through the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> century Britain realized that Nigeria is ethnically split between the North and South**
- **The British by their policy did not interfere with everyday life and let traditional leaders would answer to the British**



# Colonial Era

- **After World War II it was agreed and understood that the elimination of colonies was necessary to stop the chances of a 3<sup>rd</sup> World War**
- **The British realized that the Nigerians needed to become self-sustaining to survive. Exporting goods would be the key along with taxation**
- **The British developed modern transportation and communication along with bringing in education and missionaries**

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- In 1954 Britain created a Federal system with 3 regions
- North: Hausa-Fulani
- East: Igbo
- West: Yoruba
- On Oct. 1, 1960 Nigeria became an independent nation

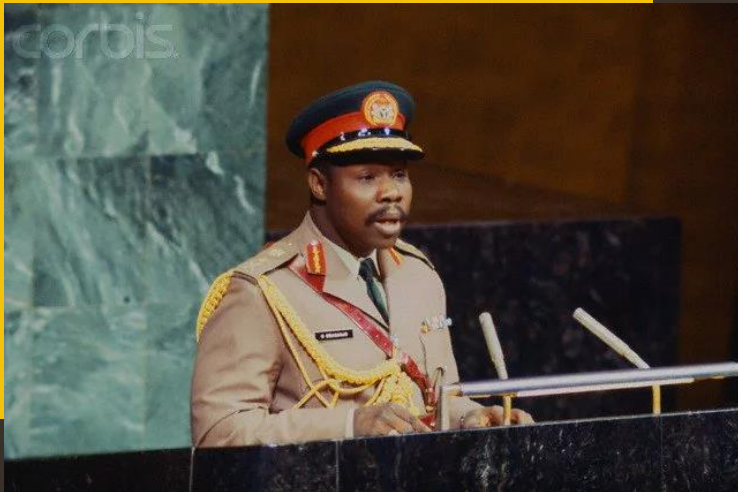
# Can you say Coup?



- **Complex ethnic compositions and lack of unity led to the first coup on Jan. 15, 1966**
- **Maj. Gen. Johnson Aguiyi-Ironsi suppressed the revolt took power and suspended the constitution**
- **A countercoup occurred in July 1966 led by Lt. Col. Yakubu Gowon.**
- **Thousands of easterners were massacred living in the Northern region and over a million (Ibos) fled to the Eastern Region**



## Can you say Coup?



- **In 1967 Nigeria was divided into 12 states. The Northern Region was split into 6 states; Mid-west, Western, and Lagos were separate, and 3 states were formed in the Eastern Region**
- **The government declared war on the Eastern Region starting a civil war**
- **The Civil War ended in 1970 and Gowon aimed for a 1976 return to civilian rule**
- **In 1974 Gowon postponed the transfer indefinitely. Gowon was assassinated in 1976 during a failed military coup. Lt. Gen. Olusegun Obasanjo became the leader and aimed for 1979 for the transition**

# Can you say Coup?



- **Alhaji Shehu Shagari** was elected president however he lost the favor of the **NPP**. In 1983 he won reelection and in Dec. 1983 he was ousted in a military coup
- Maj. Gen. **Muhammadu Buhari** became leader and he was ousted by a military coup in August of 1985. Maj. Gen. **Ibrahim Badamasi Babangida** became the leader.





## 1990's



- **Nigeria came closer to organization in 1992. Political violence was escalating with the continuous delay of elections.**
- **In 1993 Nigeria has 23 presidential aspirants but they were banned from future political competition. More unrest and violence followed**
- **Babangida resigned the Presidency in August 1993. Chief Ernest Shonekan was appointed then removed by Gen. Sani Abacha in Nov 1993. All state and local governments, along with the national legislature and civilian official were abolished**





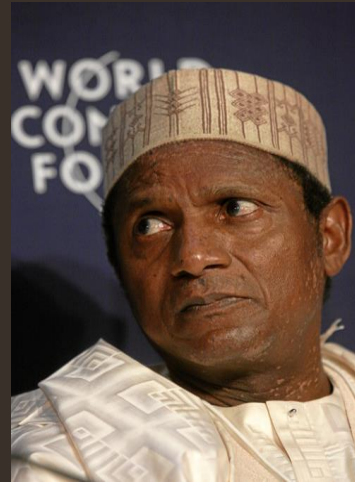
## 1990's

- **Abacha continued to rule Nigeria during the 1990's.**
- **He was inconsistent trying to advance Nigeria but also suppress opposition**
- **In 1998 4 of the 5 major political parties nominated Abacha for president. Then he died of a heart attack**
- **General Abdulsalami Ababakar promised to continue Abacha's work.**
- **May 1999 would see the elections**
- **Olusegun Obasanjo was elected president**



# Presidents of Nigeria

<b>Olusegun Obasanjo</b>	<b>1999-2007</b>	<b>People's Democratic Party</b>
<b>Umaru Musa Yar'Adua</b>	<b>2007-2010 (died in office)</b>	<b>People's Democratic Party</b>
<b>Goodluck Jonathan</b>	<b>2010-2015</b>	<b>People's Democratic Party</b>
<b>Muhammadu Buhari</b>	<b>2015-</b>	<b>All Progressives Congress</b>



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**Haram**



# **Boko Haram and the World Press**



# **Boko Haram Captivity**



# Fighting Boko Haram



# Nigeria vs. Boko Haram

