

# Nigeria – Modern Challenges

Remember this from your previous notes?

The British divided Nigeria into **3 major regions**, hoping this would help Nigeria's major groups get along better.



## Independent Nigeria

Trying to keep peace, Nigeria has created \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ regions. The different regions are based on the smaller \_\_\_\_\_ groups.

1960-1966: Early independent \_\_\_\_\_

1966-1998: Military overthrows several leaders , 3 years of \_\_\_\_\_



## Ethnic Conflict

Ethnic groups in the south have fought some off-and-on for many \_\_\_\_\_.

1967-1970 – **Biafran war** :

- The \_\_\_\_\_ wanted their own country.
- Nigeria's government fought to keep them.
- Over 1 million \_\_\_\_\_ later, Biafra was again part of Nigeria.

1991 – \_\_\_\_\_ threatened to form their own country.

1991 – The capital was moved from Lagos to \_\_\_\_\_ – a more central location.

Nigeria currently has a democratically elected \_\_\_\_\_, but \_\_\_\_\_ continue.



2000 – Northern (Hausa-Fulani) states made \_\_\_\_\_ (Sharia law). Non-Muslims do not have to follow it, but there are still tensions.

\_\_\_\_\_ have died in north-south conflicts in the past ten years. The Boko Haram – an \_\_\_\_\_ Muslim group – has stirred up more violence since 2009.

This is usually reported in the media as “\_\_\_\_\_ v. \_\_\_\_\_ violence.”

But much of it is based on \_\_\_\_\_ over

- limited of citizenship rights
- ethnic differences
- lack of jobs
- poverty

## Oil & Gas



- “ About \_\_\_\_% of Nigeria government’s income comes from exporting \_\_\_\_ & gas ( \_\_\_\_\_ economic level).
- “ The government has not worked much to develop their \_\_\_\_\_ economic level (manufacturing).
- “ Government leaders \_\_\_\_\_ oil profits.
- “ Over 60% of Nigerians survive on under \$\_\_ / day.

Nigeria is an important source of \_\_\_\_\_ for the United States.

Oil is the most important part of Nigeria’s economy. However, sloppy handling by international oil companies has created 50 years of oil \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_.

This has killed \_\_\_\_\_ people need for food, killed \_\_\_\_\_ life, and polluted drinking \_\_\_\_\_.

### Challenges Nigeria must solve:

- “ People need to see themselves as “Nigerians” \_\_\_\_\_ just ethnic tribe members.
- “ Leaders need to believe it’s important to be \_\_\_\_\_ / stop stealing \$\$ from the country & spend money \_\_\_\_\_ their people.
- “ Leaders need to develop that \_\_\_\_\_ level of the economy – manufacturing.

