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Topics (Question) Q1 In what ways African culture contributed to modern civilization? Explain with Examples.

Africans are responsible for many of the earliest and greatest civilizations. Information about Africa's past advances and accomplishments have continued to remain obscure and little known since contact between Europe and Africa. The history of Africa has fundamentally dominated by the way's Europeans have portrayed themselves African culture contributed in many fields such as Agriculture, Medicine, Transportation, Mathematics, Trade and even modern arts. The following paragraphs explain the Africans contributed in the above fields.

To begin, In modern arts Africa played an important role in inspiring celebrated artists such as Picasso, Matisse and Klee. In the early 1900s, the aesthetics of traditional African sculpture became what the Met Museum in New York describes as "a powerful influence among European artists who formed an avant-garde in the development of modern art."

Also, History of mathematics is so Eurocentric that most accounts of ancient mathematics systems seem to begin and end in Egypt. But the Lebombo bone found in Swaziland and Ishango bone discovered on the border between Uganda and Zaire both baboon fibulas are the world's oldest mathematical objects. The former

at least 53000 years old. The Ishango bone may be the oldest table of prime numbers.

Further, trade and commerce were greatly developed in Djenné (Mali), Timbuktu (Mali), Kong (Côte d'Ivoire) and depended on crafts and commerce for their survival (Burgan and Gann 1978). Contrary to popular belief pre colonial Africa was not rural subsistence and peasant farming. For instance the Hausas located in the northern part of present day Nigeria imported virtually all their food by water carriage along river Niger. In exchange the sub-ethnic communities who her make as leather workers and smiths exported leather products, gold and clay pots. Such innovation greatly help in the development of mutual cooperation and commerce.

Moreover, Artisan enterprises such as dyeing, sewing, weaving, carving, sculpture, metallurgy contributed greatly to modern civilization. Since, empires such as Kush and more precisely the Meroe developed iron work and bronze woodcarving such sophisticated knowledge were very useful in developing their empires and are still sources of inspiration today.

In Addition to, the pre colonial Africa included societies which possessed what at time was definitely advance maritime level knowledge. Prominent territories were the Kilwa and Zanzibar in present day Tanzania, Mombassa in present day Kenya, Sofala in Somalia located in eastern portion along the coast of Indian Ocean.

Similarly, Africans domesticated animals like horses, camels, donkeys which were greatly use in transportation of goods and for trades.

water based transportation such as rafts and canoes destination of not only international traders but also Islamic clergymen from Arabia. As such the methods use by Africa can be consider as the foundation of modern trade and transportation innovations.

Furthermore, in Agriculture from the beginning of times Africans had learned and perfected in different method of domesticating and cultivating food crops from generation to generation significantly in my Country Cameroon through biological renewable, local resources and knowledge, in harmony with the environment but also for the need for land to replenish itself. In this case traditional method use no artificial manure and as a whole allow fields to fallow after one or more crops. Land management is greatly support by tightly traditional african land tenure system in which land is communally own as opposed to individual owned. This later lead to international trade to show that, chieftains of Douala in present day Cameroon, dependent on palm products from the hinterland to play an active role in the regional and international palm oil trade.

Too, Governance and administration possibility of impeached the king, evidence also suggests the traditional african had developed complex and highly functional systems prior to the european conquest in effect cihanian empire had developed a sophisticated taxation system

Again, Africa through it Customs such as traditional dances and music have inspire one of the greatest brand of music known as Jazze

Jazz is about the polyrhythms. Two or more different rhythms happening at the same time. The Author Gunther Schuller wrote that every musical element rhythm, harmony, melody, timbre and basic forms of Jazz is essentially African in background and derivation.

Last but not the least, Africa through it multiple riches have help and contributed to modern technology. For instance The Democratic Republic of Congo provide the mineral cobalt which is use to make rechargeable batteries. According to the extractive industries transparency initiative the DRC holds almost half of the world's cobalt reserves. And that not all the DRC is among the world's largest producer of cobalt, copper, diamond and tantalum.

In Conclusion, Africa with it diversify culture nations and people has contributed in many ways, enhancing socio economic development in many fields and activity ranging from Agriculture to great inventions and work, Inspiring along other continents and the world as a whole. It noteworthy that the numerous indigenous Africa customs, traditional practices are still very important today and their preservation is a called for concern which will inspire and help the world develop.