

Welcome to Greater Senegambia

1 New words for this article

Nouveaux mots pour cet article

lute	a traditional guitar
working language	the language of government and business
musician	a person who plays a musical instrument
historian	a person who studies and writes about history

2 Comprehension Questions

Questions de compréhension en lecture

1. What is the name of the Senegambian historian?
2. Four things happened in the conference. What were they?
3. What African language did they speak at the conference?
4. What problem do many people in Senegambia have? What do they do?
5. Why do children need to learn about Senegambian traditional culture?

3 Speaking activities - Activités orales

Pratiquez vos compétences orales - répétez ces phrases.

- 1 region
- 2 working language
- 3 official
- 4 ritual

4 Speaking activities - Activités orales

Exercez-vous à parler - répondez à ces questions en anglais:

- 1 Do you come from Senegal or the Gambia or Guinea Bissau?
- 2 Which country do you come from?
- 3 What is the official working language of the Gambia?
- 4 What is the official working language of Guinea-Bissau?

5 Match the sentences (A-D) and (E-H) – *Faire correspondre les phrases (A-D) et (E-H).*

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|---|---------------------------------------|
| A | Greater-Senegambia was |
| B | All its countries |
| C | The official working language |
| D | There was also music |
| E | played by local musicians and griots. |
| F | of Senegal is French. |
| G | part of the empire of Mali. |
| H | have a common culture. |

6 True or False? - Vrai ou Faux?

- 1 Greater Senegambia is two countries.
- 2 The conference was in Dakar.
- 3 Griots were the old historians.
- 4 They talked in Banama, English and French.
- 5 There was no music.

7 Fill in the gap - Remplir le vide

- 1 Griots _____ songs to the king.
- 2 The conference _____ movies.
- 3 They _____ greater Senegambian culture.
- 4 The official _____ language of Guinea-Bissau is Portuguese.
- 5 Greater Senegambia culture _____ the countries' cultures valuable.

Answers –

2 Comprehension questions

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- 1 Boubakar Barry
- 2 Discussions, music and films
- 3 Bamana
- 4 They have no jobs. They go to Europe.
- 5 It is valuable.

4 Speaking activities - Activités orales

- 1 Yes, I do./ No, I don't.
- 2 I come from
- 3 It is English.
- 4 It is Portuguese.

5 Match the sentences (A-D) and (E-H) –

Faire correspondre les phrases (A-D) et (E-H).

- A=G
- B=H
- C=F
- D=E

6 True or False? - Vrai ou Faux?

- 1 False
- 2 False
- 3 True
- 4 True
- 5 False

7 Fill in the gap – Remplir le vide

- 1 sang
- 2 watched
- 3 discussed
- 4 working
- 5 makes