**EMPIRES OF WEST AFRICA FOLDABLE:** Use the notes and the text to create a foldable about the three African Empires. Be sure to use the **bold** headings provided.

**Ghana: 800-1200** (Chapter 6, Section 1)
- **Location:** (be specific)
- **Iron and Power:** (describe 2 ways Ghana used Iron to become powerful)
- **Economy:** Taxes and Gold
  - Explain how they gained wealth from taxes.
- **Products traded:**
- **Salt is important (list 3 reasons):**
- **Major cities:**
- **Ghana’s Decline:** (list three reasons why Ghana declined)

**Mali: 1200-1500** (Chapter 6, Section 2)
- **Location:**
- **Sundiata:** (who was he and what are his achievements)
- **Economy:** (Describe how Mali made money)
- **Products traded:**
- **Religion and Mansa Musa’s Pilgrimage** – (who was he and why is his pilgrimage important)
- **Education and culture Flourish under Mansa Musa**:
- **Major cities:** (list and describe why important)
- **The Fall of Mali:** List 3 factors that lead to Mali’s decline.

**Songhai: 1500-1590** (Chapter 6, Section 3)
- **Location:** (p. 142)
- **Sunni Alli:** (Describe who he was and his achievements):
- **Askia the Great:** (list 2 achievements)
- **Major cities:** (list and describe why important)
- **Songhai Falls to Morocco:** Describe what led to Songhai’s decline.