



Africa



Mansa Musa

ruler of the Ancient Kingdom of Mali, thought to be the **richest man the world has ever known**

food security

availability

food production

water and soil management

access

transport

affordability

stability

food production

water and soil management

use

clean water for cooking

nutritional value

KEY VOCABULARY

Homo sapiens

our **species of modern human**: from the Latin meaning 'wise man', the term was introduced by the scientist Carl Linnaeus

commodity

A **raw material** or product of farming that **can be bought and sold**, e.g. salt or gold. Commodities are traded around the world.

agriculture

the **practice of farming**, both crops and animals

desert

from the Latin word meaning, 'an abandoned place', deserts are regions of **land that receive very little precipitation**, e.g. rain (it is hard for plants, animals and people to live in desert areas)

desertification

a process where **fertile land becomes desert**: this can be as a result of drought, deforestation or over farming (farmers cannot grow crops or graze animals on desert land)

biodiversity

the **variety of plants and animals** within a habitat

food insecurity

a situation where people within a country, or region, are **unable to access, or afford, enough nutritious food**

colonialism

the practice of **taking control of another country**, then holding political and economic power over that country

desertification:

