# Niger Delta





# **Nigerian Culture**





Creating a fish net Fishing Drying the catch

#### **Canoeing in the creeks**





#### "Grandma" weaving a basket

### Nigerian Market



# **Living Conditions**





#### **Shower room**



#### **Roadside in Lagos**



## Lagos



## **Environmental Issues**





#### **Bathing, Drinking, and Washing**



## **Oil Pipeline**





## **Education and the Future**





#### **New Whiteboards**

#### **School Improvements**





#### **The Niger Delta Friendship Library**

## **Computer Lab**





#### Joseph

#### **Primary School Students**

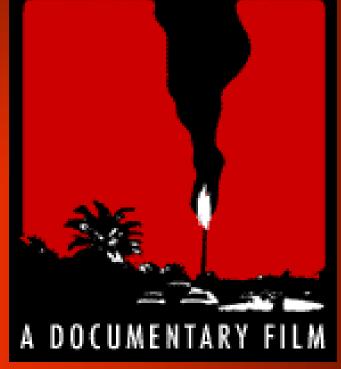


#### **Secondary Students**



# Making the Movie "Sweet Crude"

# SWEET CRUDE





#### "The Creeks"



Based on what you have learned, what can you tell me about Nigeria?

## **Top Ten Things to Know About Nigeria**

1. Nigeria is an ethnically diverse country with over 350 different ethnic groups and 250 languages.

2. Nigeria's complexity is also reflected in religion, as the population is split between Muslims, Christians, and Traditional faiths.

3. After years of military rule, Nigeria is a developing democracy that recently held elections in which one civilian-elected leader handed over power to another for the first time.

4. Nigeria's political system has traditionally been characterized by corruption.

5. The majority of Nigeria's oil wealth is derived from the Niger Delta region.

6. Nigeria supplies more oil to the United States than Iraq and Kuwait combined and has recently vaulted to number 3 in overall oil exports to the United States.

7. Although rich in resources, 70% of Nigerians live on less than \$1 a day.

8. Gas flares, oil spills, and dredging of canals have significantly decreased the traditional maritime subsistence practices of local communities in the Niger Delta.

9. Nigeria plays a major role in the African Union.

10. There are a large number of Nigerians living in other countries, such as Britain (Nigeria was a former British colony) and the United States.

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