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

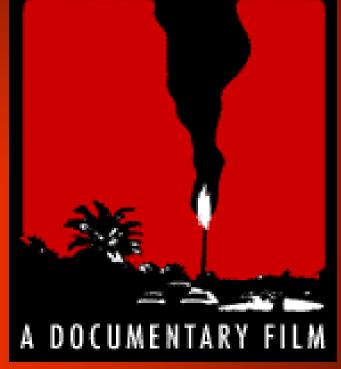


Secondary Students



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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