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Journey Through Time: Exploring the History of Nigeria

Short Answer Key

1. Possible answer: The Nok civilization is known for its terracotta sculptures and pottery, which are significant artistic achievements in Africa's history.
2. Possible answer: Colonial rule had a profound impact on Nigeria's culture, politics, and economy. It introduced Western systems of governance, education, and economic structures, while also disrupting traditional practices and causing political tensions.
3. Possible answer: The Nigerian Civil War, or Biafran War, was primarily about ethnic and political tensions, resulting from the secessionist movement in the southeastern region of Nigeria. The war caused suffering and loss of life and ultimately ended with the reunification of Nigeria.
4. Possible answer: Challenges Nigeria has faced include political instability, corruption, and ethnic tensions. Economic challenges, such as income inequality and infrastructure development, have also been prominent.
5. Possible answer: Nigeria celebrates its cultural heritage through various means, including festivals that showcase diverse traditions, music that reflects different regional styles, art that embodies local creativity, and literature that tells the stories of its people.

