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	Location	Dates	Political (government, laws, rulers)	Social (language, religion, other ways of life)	Economic (trade, how people earn a living)
Ghana					
Mali					
Songhai					
Benin					
Axum		100-1400			
Zimbabwe					

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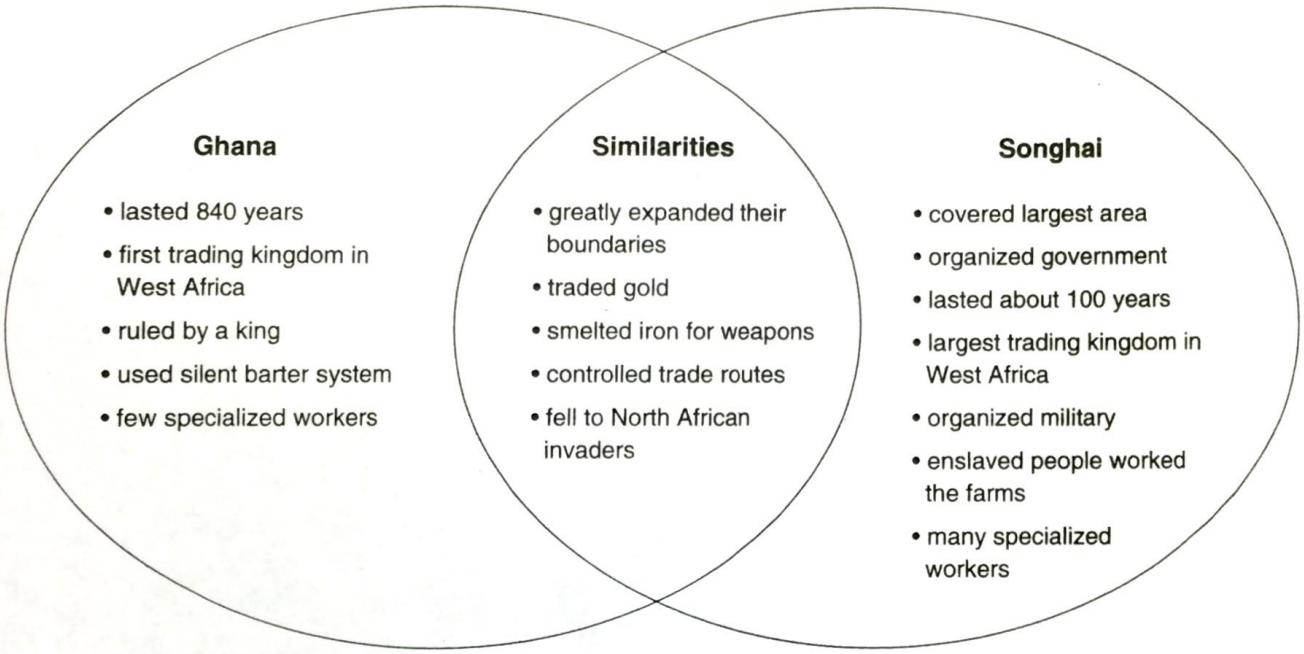
CHAPTER 8

Chart and Graph Skills Activity

Interpreting a Venn Diagram

The trading kingdoms of West Africa lasted from about 400 A.D. to the late 1600s. A comparison of the first and last of these kingdoms shows how much West African kingdoms changed over a thousand years.



Using Your Skills

Use the graph to answer the questions below.

1. About how many years longer did Ghana exist than Songhai?

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2. What was the major difference between the kingdoms of Ghana and Songhai?

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3. Why do you think the silent barter system would not work in Songhai?

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4. What was the major similarity between the two West African kingdoms?

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