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GAMBIA COLLECTION

Please use the boxes on the right to check the items **IN** and then **OUT** before you return the collection.
Please put the items back in the correct containers (Box 1 and 2) as listed below.

Box 1

		IN	OUT
Pestle & mortar (stored separately)	Used for pounding spices (chillies, peppers etc) & vegetables (onions, tomatoes etc)		
Large metal cooking pot with lid	Used for cooking staple meal of fish or meat, vegetables and rice over a 3-stone wood fire		
Large enamel bowl with lid	For serving up food to be eaten communally		
Small enamel bowl with lid	For serving up food to a family		
Wooden spoon	Used for stirring large quantities of food		
Metal rice spoon	For draining & serving rice		
Gourd spoons x 2	For serving food		
Sieve	Made from recycled cans		
Plastic kettle	Used for carrying small quantities of water – for drinking or washing hands & feet before prayers		
Plastic mug	As above		
Iron & stand	Fuelled with charcoal from the fire. Used to iron and maintain clothing		
Attaya stove	Fuelled with charcoal. Used for brewing 'attaya' – a strong, Chinese green tea. Brewed up to 4 times a day as a social activity, mainly by men.		
Attaya pot	Blue kettle-like pot used in the making of attaya. The brew is used 3 times, each being much weaker than the one previous.		
Attaya glass x 1	Used for drinking attaya from.		
Packets of tea x 2	Green tea from China, as used for attaya		
Candles x 7	These are the main form of lighting, alongside oil lamps & torches		
Soap	Handmade from natural materials in Gunjur		
Chewing sticks x 2	Cut from local bushes, these are used to maintain healthy gums & teeth		
Incense packet x 1	Sprinkled on charcoal stove for scent & to keep insects away		
Scourer x 1	Used to ensure cooking pots are kept clean, sand & water mix can also be used		
Prayer mat x 1	Used by Muslims for prayers, five times a day		

Box 2

Kora (stored separately)	21-stringed musical instrument. Made from half a gourd, cow hide, wood, nylon strings. Played by Mandinka 'griots' who sit with the kora facing them holding the 2 side sticks and plucking the strings with their thumbs.		
Shakers x 3	1 x circles of gourd threaded on to wooden stick 1 x seeds strung together		

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	1 x gourd covered with net of beads		
Balaphon + rubber-tipped beater x 1	Percussion instrument similar to a xylophone with calabash resonators		
Fabric x 7	<p>2 x tie dye; green, purple & white, lime green, green & blue (in plastic wallet) – used for bedsheet, door / window covering & making into clothes</p> <p>1 x wax batik; purple & white – used as above</p> <p>3 x printed fabric; butterflies on green background, bird & circles on spotted background, people & animals on buff-coloured background – used for making into clothes</p> <p>1 x fano; striped fabric used as a wrap around skirt</p>		
Clothing x 4 pieces	<p>1 x dress in multi-coloured patchwork</p> <p>1 x set of man's shirt & trousers in tie dyed purple, rust & white</p> <p>1 x man's top in cream with black stripe. Made from cotton grown & spun near Basse</p>		
Plastic Wallets x 10	<p>Tie dye in the Gambia.</p> <p>Transport.</p> <p>School & Play.</p> <p>Tourism.</p> <p>Homes & Housing.</p> <p>Food & Shopping.</p> <p>Daily Life.</p> <p>Gambia Information.</p> <p>Case Studies from The Gambia.</p> <p>The New Moon Rises.</p>		
Necklaces x 2	<p>1 x with Africa carved from gourd.</p> <p>1 x black beads with cowrie shell pendant</p>		
Bracelets x 6	Made from black wire & recycled plastic		
Prayer Beads x 1	Muslim prayer beads made from seeds with bone spacers		
Kola nuts	Used as gifts when visiting. They have symbolic significance		
Dolls x 2	Made from fabric covered containers, with traditional dress & head covering; 1 x blue outfit, 1 x purple outfit		
Brush	Made from palm fronds, for sweeping the compound		
Video Pack	Looking Beyond the Brochure.		
CD	Senegal & Gambia (13 music tracks).		
3 x Books	<p>Exploring Islam in Gunjur.</p> <p>The Gambia & Senegal.</p> <p>Introducing The Gambia.</p>		
3 x Maps	Foldout maps of The Gambia.		

For additional information on West Africa, see also

- **West African Music Collection,**
- **Ghana 1 & 2 Collections**
- **Mali & Burkina Faso Collection**
- **Cameroon Collection.**



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Within the Literacy Collections are

- **Kofi & His Magic,**
- **A Triangle for Adaora**
- **Talking Cloth.**

Day in a Life workshops and materials are also available.