

Orisha's Journey

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Map of West Africa

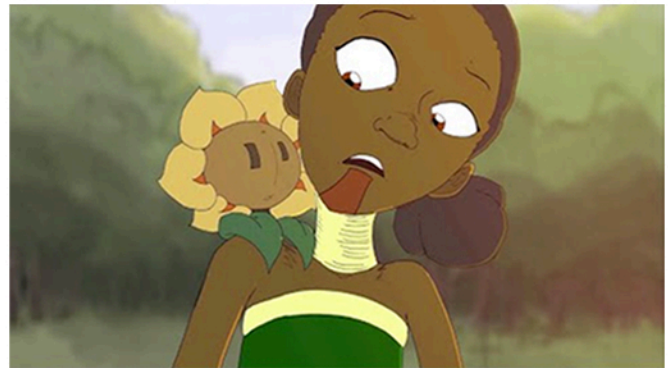
Rooted in West African traditional beliefs, *Orisha's Journey* is about a little girl and the power of imagination. Orisha, who doesn't believe in fables, finds herself in one. After meeting a lost flower spirit, she must journey through the world of spirits and the depths of her imagination to return the lost flower to the "Walking Forest."

About the Orisha

- Orisha or òrìṣà is based in the Yoruba belief system
- Has about 24 main deities
- The Irun mole are meant to guide creation and particularly humanity on how to live and succeed on



An illustration of some of the Yoruba Orisha



Matching:

1. Lost tradition _____
2. Choices _____
3. New Generation _____
4. Courage & loyalty _____
5. Tradition _____
6. Thanks & Gratitude _____

- A. The flower
- B. Tortoise
- C. Tortoise & dragon
- D. Orisha
- E. Grandfather
- F. Bird

Questions:

What was the message of the story?

- A. Courage
- B. Lost traditions
- C. The old and new generations
- D. Finding your way home

What do you think Sankofa means?

- A. Lost
- B. Go back and get it
- C. Travel
- D. To find

What do you think Orisha learned from taking the flower home to the tortoises? Explain.

Answer: