

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

### Box 2

<b>Kora (stored separately)</b>	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.		
<b>Shakers x 3</b>	1 x circles of gourd threaded on to wooden stick 1 x seeds strung together 1 x gourd covered with net of beads		
<b>Balaphon + rubber-tipped beater x 1</b>	Percussion instrument similar to a xylophone with calabash resonators		

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

Within the Literacy Collections are

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

**Day in a Life** workshops and materials are also available.