



## KEY VOCABULARY

**percussion**

**chanting**

**syncopation**

**rhythm**

**off-beat**

**call and response**

**master drummer**

musical instruments that are **hit** or **shaken** to make a sound

**repeating** a word or **phrase** again and again

when a **variety of rhythms** are played together to make the music **off-beat**

a **repeated pattern** of sound

where a rhythm **does not fall in time** with the beat or pulse

music where one musician (**a soloist**) **leads** and **everyone else replies together**

the **leader** of the group of **drummers**



Nigeria

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'Western Africa' (highlighted in red on the map) is a region within Africa where the djembe drum was created and played. Babatunde Olatunji lived in Nigeria, in Western Africa

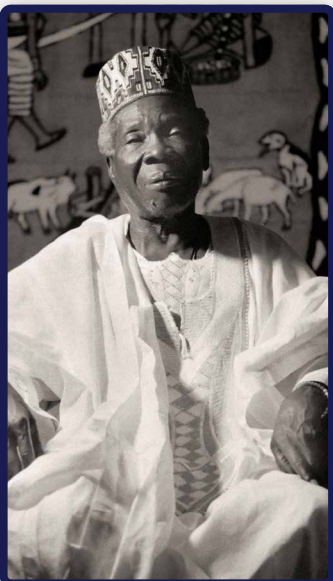


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## Babatunde Olatunji

A drummer from Nigeria, who made one of the first recordings to popularise African music in the USA



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A djembe drum  
(percussion instrument)



An amplifier – an electronic device used to control the volume of sound



A synthesiser – an instrument that needs electricity to make sound (electronic instrument)