2-4 Notes

* Kush – area south of Egypt where cattle herders settled and became known for their fighting skills
* These people lived on the SAVANNAS – grassy plains that stretch across Africa
* Kush – an independent kingdom that conquered Egypt and ruled from the city of Napata
* The Kushites became the first Africans to devote themselves to iron-working.
* The development of iron helped the Kushites in farming and weapons.
* The Kushites moved their capital city to Meroe to be far away from the Assyrians.
* Meroe had rich deposits of iron ore and became a rich trading center.