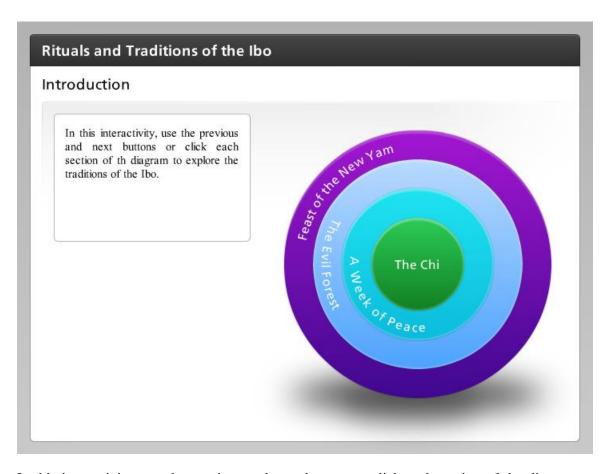
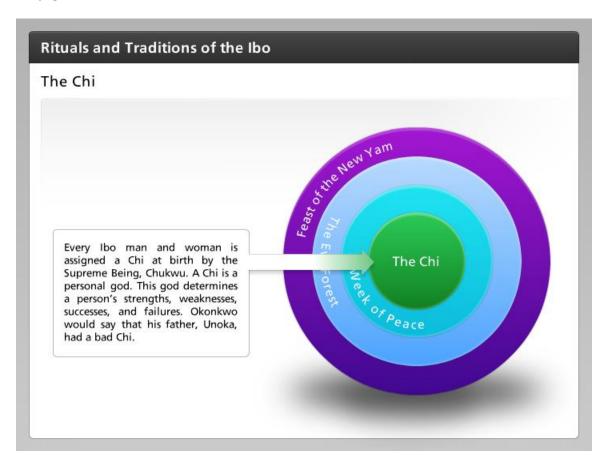
Introduction



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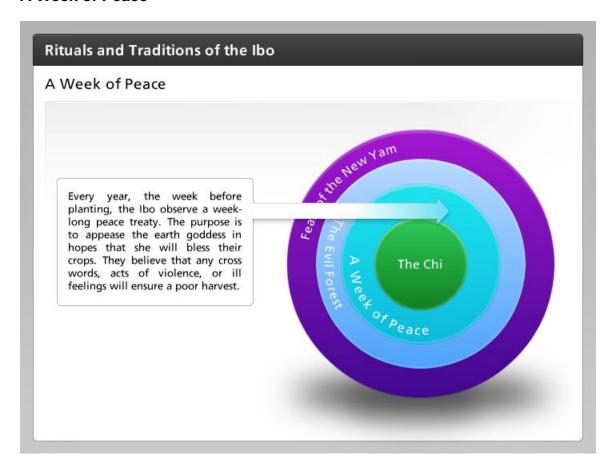
The Chi



Every Ibo man and woman is assigned a Chi at birth by the Supreme Being, Chukwu. A Chi is a personal god. This god determines a person's strengths, weaknesses, successes, and failures. Okonkwo would say that his father, Unoka, had a bad Chi.



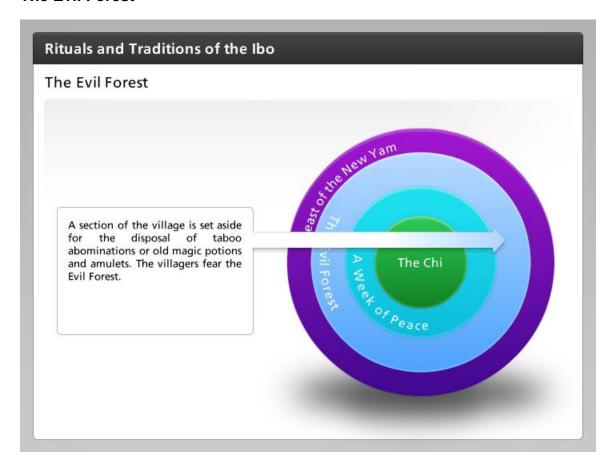
A Week of Peace



Every year, the week before planting, the Ibo observe a week-long peace treaty. The purpose is to appease the earth goddess in hopes that she will bless their crops. They believe that any cross words, acts of violence, or ill feelings will ensure a poor harvest.



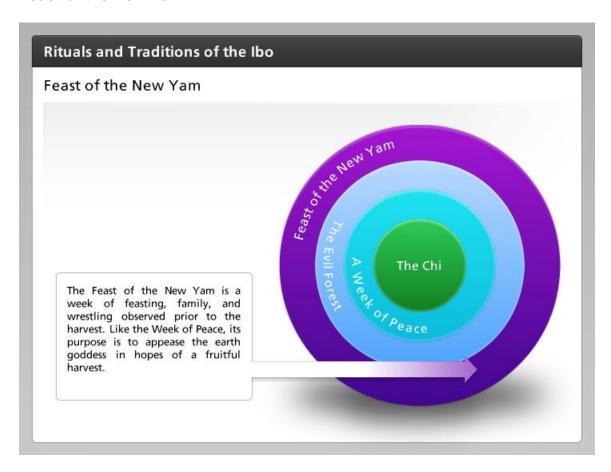
The Evil Forest



A section of the village is set aside for the disposal of taboo abominations or old magic potions and amulets. The villagers fear the Evil Forest.



Feast of the New Yam



The Feast of the New Yam is a week of feasting, family, and wrestling observed prior to the harvest. Like the Week of Peace, its purpose is to appease the earth goddess in hopes of a fruitful harvest.

