**Focus on Urban Africa**

--statistics to keep in perspective

**Lagos, Nigeria**

Talk about Lagos as global city, evidence of globalization:

pop culture: movies, music

2nd-hand clothing

marriage

Boy Scouts

cigarettes [:146]

drugs

sex trafficking

The 2 Sides of Lagos: Time photo-essay showing wealth next to poverty in Lagos [on wealth amidst poverty, see Abani, p.7]

http://www.time.com/time/photogallery/0,29307,1837378,00.html

**Maroko**

how it was demolished (BBC article):

http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-africa-18870511

clip from film "Welcome to Lagos" (1st 10 minutes)--is about life in garbage dump; "celebrates the resilience, resourcefulness and energy of Lagos's 16 million inhabitants"

Google film title, pick clip that's 10 minutes long

Episode 2 is all about Makoko, and continues the focus on economic strategies. Read description:

http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b00s5x5w

→ Discuss resourcefulness, ways to make money in GracelandPhoto-Journal of Makoko slums from The Guardian

others: transactional sex [:29]

$ for blood [:76]

selling 2nd-hand clothing

Elvis: dancing on beaches for tourists

construction work (note how much work is generated by the urban growth of Lagos)

hires dancing at bar

wrapping drugs

escorting trafficked people and organs

http://www.guardian.co.uk/pictures/image/0,8543,-10105140983,00.html

→ Discuss how urban Nigerians internalize their sense of worthlessness and the general view of them as trash through 2 episodes. Note that Elvis stands apart, able to critically reflect on this and reject it.

bodies hit by buses [:56]

lynching of supposed thief [: