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- · Ottoman empire grew from small size
- · With Syria and Egypt shrinking 16th century, Ottomans became the biggest Muslim empire
- · Less medieval, and represented more the new age centralized monarchyi
- Beginnings
 - Turkish Nomads + Muslim Warriors + Christian Islamic Converts
 - · 3 factors of growth
 - · Original leader was quite shrewd
 - Strategic link between Europe + Asia at the Daranelles strait
 - · Creation of army combining Trukish techniques + high tech gunpowder
 - Eventually in 1453 conquerered Constantinople, which ended Byzantine rule + gave a pretty good capital
 - · Schedule of Battlings
 - Conquered Safavid Empire => 1514
 - Conquered Egypt => 1516-1517
 - Eastern frontier => where Safavid was
 - · Southern frontier => red sea
- · Seeked control of the Mediterranean

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