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1 | The Ottomans' Successes in the 1500s

Reasons for Success

- 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

The Ottomans' Battlings

- Seized Damascus in the year 1516
- Entered Egypt 1517
- Worked around, and all the way to the Black Sea — attacking Arabia along the way
- Overran Hungary (although, Northern Hungary was kept, and so was the HRE) the same year

Ottomans' Governmental Effectiveness

- Established official unity
 - Faith
 - Culture
 - and Language
- High Tech.
 - Well drained cities
 - Libraries and universities *libraries are a strong through-line!*
 - Strength in...
 - Math
 - Cartography
 - Medicine
 - Industry
 - Mills
 - Gun casting
 - Lighthouses
 - Hoursebreeding
- Recruited army from Christian youth
- Higher tolerance for other races