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#disorganized

- 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 monarchy
- 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 conquered 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
- Sseeked control of the Mediterranean
- (Unsuccessfully) tried to fight Venice
 - Initial fight => reduced millitary power + tribunage
 - Finally fell another century later, but due to unrelated reasons
- Fough the Porchugueses, too!
 - Tried to deter porchuguese threats
 - Sucessfully prevented them from closing in, but ultimately did not conqur into parchugal