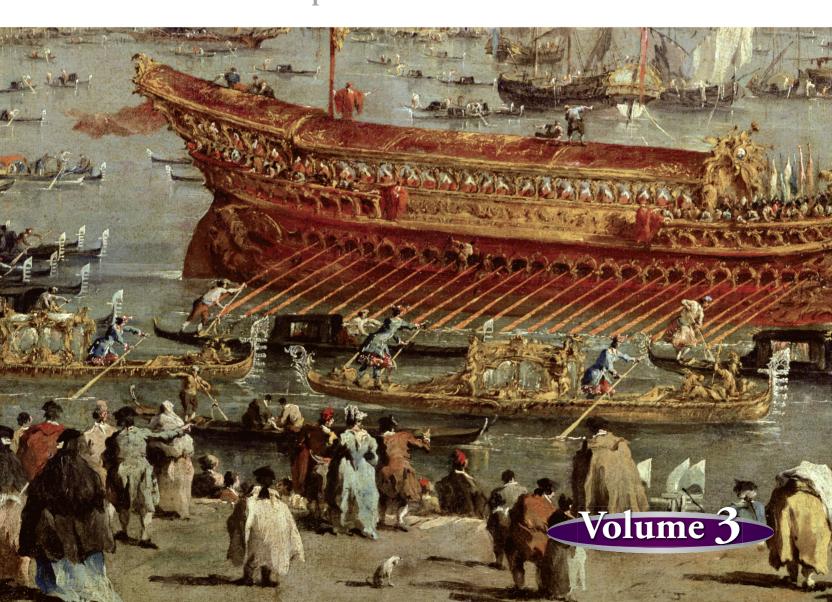


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# Authors' Note

Thank you for joining us on this adventure through world history. We intend to take you on a wild ride from the dawn of civilization to the modern age. The ride is sometimes frightening, as we see empires fall, tyrants rise, and brutal wars of conquest. Yet we also see, in the story of civilization, how humans create masterpieces of art, how their dreams of freedom become reality, and breathtaking achievements in the world of science and technology.

It is an unfortunate fact that sometimes history lectures can remove all the magic and wonder from the stories of the past. When we wrote *Hands on History*, we wanted history to be easily accessible and relevant to readers. We wanted them to see and feel how our history has shaped our present day. Moreover, we kept in mind that history consists of the stories of the past, and the explanation of history should really be the telling of stories. And, if a story is told well, who doesn't like to hear it?

With *Hands-on History*, we did our very best to avoid complications and generalizations. We show history flowing with each passing lesson closer to the present. We don't divide the series along geographical or thematic lines, instead we recognized and focused on where and when the world changed. We use simple language, and we explain not just which events are important, but also WHY they are important. Most of all, we remember that a good story needs good character development. We deal with the motivations and traits of historical figures, so that they come alive on the pages. Readers will get a sense that they actually know the people of the past.

We would like to express our gratitude to M. Mark Stolarik for reviewing our work, as well as to the many editors and illustators involved in this project. Our goal is not that readers memorize every historical event. Understanding what went on is more important. We hope this series might kindle a passion for history in students. As well, for those who already enjoy history, we want to provide a basis so that it can be pondered even more. Hopefully readers use these books mostly for their own enjoyment. We are confident this is possible with *Hands on History*.

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## **Unit Breakdown**

#### **General overview**

The textbook is divided into ten units. Each unit has two lessons. The first lesson gives the readers basic knowledge of a historical topic. The second lesson is a topic journal that will help the readers reflect and express opinions on the topic.

#### • Make Connections

Each unit has a question that helps readers to form an opinion about a subject that is related to the unit's topic.



#### • Timeline

The timeline shows the period when the events in the unit took place. It also includes events of previous and subsequent units, helping the readers to better understand this unit's place in world history.

#### • Key Vocabulary

Each unit introduces a new set of vocabulary terms. The newly introduced words will constantly appear in both later units and subsequent volumes of the *Hands on History* series.

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#### Lesson 1

Each lesson passage is divided into three sections.

The first section provides background material. It also informs readers about previous events which acted as a catalyst to the major events of that time.

The second section introduces the major events or people of that time. This section provides an engaging storyline about events that profoundly influenced the course of world history. The third section shows the effects and consequences of those events. It also hints at what is to come in the next unit.

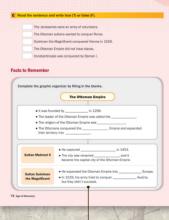


#### • Unit Map

Each unit map provides vital information about where the described events took place as well as improves the reader's geographical knowledge.

#### • Comprehension Check

The comprehension check provides the reader with activities to review the unit topic. This section moves from simple comprehension questions to organizing statements in order to show the correct sequence of events covered in the lesson.



#### • Facts to Remember

The first lesson ends with a graphic organizer in which readers must organize their newly acquired knowledge into different types of charts.

#### Lesson 2

The second lesson is presented as a student's journal which is designed to help the readers personally connect with the previous lesson. It also provides additional vital information which will expand the reader's understanding of the unit.

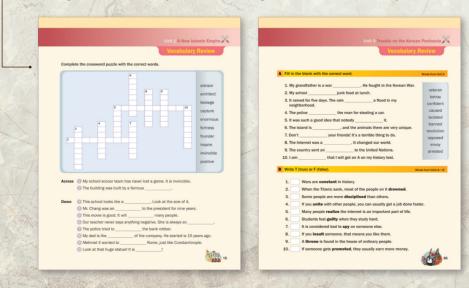
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- Maria		2. they →
	Today in class, we learned about the Joseon Dynasty. It ruled Korea during the	3. him →
	Japanese invasions which started in 1592. My teacher said that Korea was peaceful	
	before the invasions, without any major wars with other countries. However, the	Critical Thinking
_	Korean government had big problems because two factions were always arguing.	A Think about the following questions and write the answers.
	two major political groups known as the East Faction and the West Faction. They always	
clashed and	each other. This conflict meant Korea's kings were never about	1. What is a faction?
making the cor	rrect decisions for the country.	2. What problems did the factions of the Korean government cause?
Before the fir	st Japanese invasion, the king sent two to Japan. Unfortunately, they	
belonged to di	fferent factions. When they arrived back in Korea, the West Faction told the king that	3. Why was Korea not prepared for the first Japanese invasion?
Japan was goir	ng to invade and they were going to use guns. The East Faction opposed this idea and told	(
the king that 3	Japan was not ready to invade. The king didn't know which faction to listen to. So, by the	4. Why was Yi Sun-sin arrested during the war?
time the Japa	nese armies arrived, Korea was not prepared to fight and therefore suffered in battle.	
		B Share your answers with the class.
	panese invasions, the famous Korean admiral Yi Sun-sin was almost killed because of the	
	en the factions. Another Korean commander told the king that Yi Sun-sin was going to	Journal Writing
	him. It was only because Yi Sun-sin was supported by the other faction that this happened.	
The admiral w	as for a short time between the two invasions.	Write a paragraph in your journal about one of the topics below.
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ony driver the	Was was une of partiant was doub, the was a benedich the factions continued.	2. Do you listen to other people's advice when you make a decision?

#### • Comprehension Check

The compression check for the second lesson focuses on developing the reader's composition skills and critical thinking.

#### Vocabulary Review

Vocabulary Review provides exciting activities to help readers retain the unit vocabulary, and it also provides an activity to reinforce the previous units' vocabulary.



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# **Professor's Review**

The Hands on History series is a very good, chronological, summary of the rise of civilizations, whether in the Middle East, Europe, India or Asia. The first volume covers the earliest civilizations of the Sumerians, Egyptians, Assyrians, Babylonians, Persians, Greeks, Indians and Chinese and ends with the Punic Wars between Carthage and Rome (approximately the 3,000 years before Christ). Volume two covers the Roman Empire, the rise of Christianity, the barbarian invasions of Europe, and the rise of Islam. It continues with the development of feudalism in Europe, with the European Crusades against Islam, with the Mongol conquests, including a section on Korea, and then returns to Joan of Arc and the Hundred Years War in Europe (approximately 1,300 years after Christ). Volume three details the rise of the Ottoman Empire in the fifteenth century, the European Renaissance, the European discovery of North America, the division of European Christianity with the Reformation of the 17th century, the rise of Spain based upon wealth obtained from the New World, the challenge of England to Spanish hegemony, the rise of Russia, and feudalism in Japan. It ends with the European Scientific Revolution of the 16th and 17th centuries. Volume four continues the story with the theory of the "divine right" of Kings and illustrates it with Louis XVI of France. It then deals with the American Revolution, the French Revolution, Napoleon Bonaparte, American slavery, the war against the North American natives, the British Empire in India, the European colonization of Africa, the "opening up of Japan" by the United States and, the rise and decline of China in the 19th century.

The *Hands on History* series contains very useful texts for students of English who are learning world history for the first time. In forty concise units of the series, the authors tell the story of human beings from the very first civilization to the early 19th century while taking the readers on a lively and exciting journey across the centuries. The passages are written in clear, understandable English and are very well illustrated with colorful pictures and maps to help the student comprehend and remember certain events.

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# Unit **A New Islamic Empire**

Lesson 1 The Ottoman Empire Track 1 Constantinople to Istanbul 
Track2 Lesson 2

# Make Connections

What makes one culture different from another culture?

# **Timeline**

1453 Mehmet II captures Constantinople.

- 1466



Leonardo da Vinci begins

making art in Florence.





1520 ~ 1566 Reign of Suleiman the Magnificent





1299 Osman I starts the Ottoman Empire.

10 Age of Discovery

# Key Vocabulary

#### architect advisor besiege capture enormous founder fortress inspire invincible positive a person who establishes a group 1 to take by force 2 a person who designs a building 3 a person who gives advice 4 a strongly protected place from enemies 5 unable to be conquered or defeated 6 7 to surround with armed forces to give someone new ideas and feeling of 8 excitement 9 having a good effect 10 very large

Choose and write the word next to its definition.

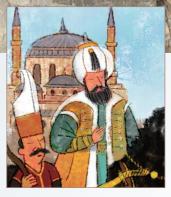
**Exploring Events** 

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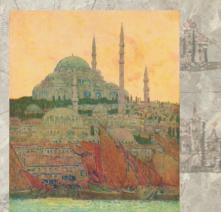




# LESSON



The Ottoman Empire grew at first because of skilled horsemen from many Turkish tribes.



Before it was conquered by the Turks, Constantinople was the capital of the Byzantine Empire for a thousand years.



Mehmet II used large cannons to destroy the walls of Constantinople. He was known as "the Conqueror."

# **The Ottoman Empire**

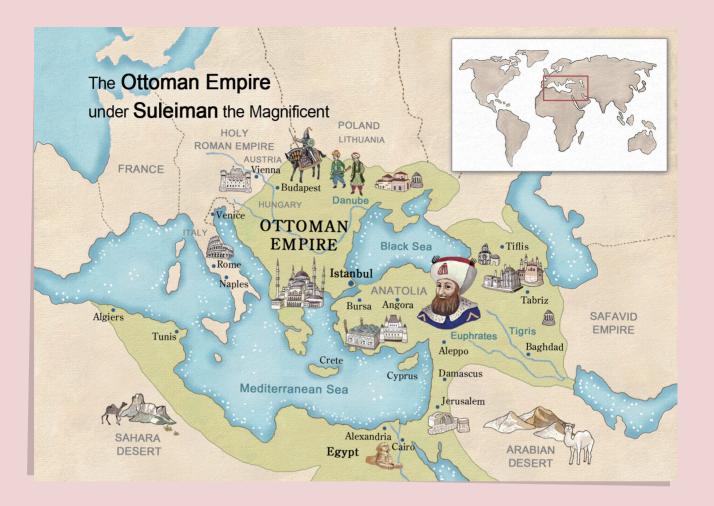
# The Rise of the Ottoman Empire

In the 11<sup>th</sup> century, Turkish nomad tribes began moving into Anatolia on the border of the Byzantine Empire. They were stopped from moving further west by the Byzantine Empire for centuries. However, this changed in 1299. Osman I became the **founder** of a powerful state of Turkish nomads, known as the Ottomans. The Ottoman Empire began conquering most of Anatolia.

In the middle of the 1300s, the Ottomans crossed over into Europe, and started conquering countries in the Balkans. They believed that they were fighting a holy war against the people of Europe. In 1453, Sultan (king) Mehmet II, **besieged** Constantinople, the Byzantine Empire's capital city. With their **enormous** cannons, the Ottomans conquered the city by breaking down the walls that protected it. The city was renamed Istanbul and became the new capital of the Ottoman Empire.

# **An Army of Slaves**

Constantinople was the last territory of the Byzantine Empire. After capturing the city, Sultan Mehmet II believed that it was his destiny to rule all of Europe. This alarmed the pope, European monarchs and ordinary Christians. They did not want to be ruled by an Islamic empire.

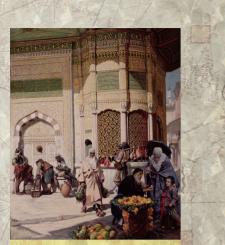


The Ottomans were successful in their conquests of Europe. They took a lot of prisoners who became their slaves. However, in the Ottoman Empire, slaves could often become powerful and successful. Some even became **advisors** to the sultan.

Every year, the Ottomans took Christian boys away from their families in Eastern Europe. These boys were trained to be the sultan's personal army called the Janissaries. For about two centuries, they were almost **invincible** on the battlefield.



#### **LESSON1** The Ottoman Empire



Istanbul became the capital of the Ottoman Empire and an important city for Europe and Asia.



The Suleymaniye Mosque was started in 1550 and completed in 1558. It is the tomb of Suleiman the Magnificent.



The Janissaries were an army made of slaves from Christian families. They were brave and well-trained.

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# **Suleiman the Magnificent**

After the death of Mehmet II, the Ottoman sultans wanted to continue trying to conquer Europe. Their goal was to **capture** Rome and become rulers of the continent. Rome had symbolic importance, and it was where the pope lived. An Ottoman sultan named Suleiman the Magnificent continued to expand the Ottoman Empire into central Europe. In 1529, his army besieged Austria's capital city, Vienna. However, the city didn't fall, and the Ottomans were stopped from conquering any more of Europe.

Though the Ottoman invasions were very frightening for people in Europe, they had a **positive** influence on the people of Italy. When the Byzantine Empire was conquered, many Greek scholars fled to Italy with their books. They helped start a new period of culture and learning in Europe, known as the Renaissance.

# **Comprehension Check**

#### A Read and choose the answer.

- 1. What made it possible for the Ottomans to conquer Constantinople?
  - a) The Ottomans paid the Byzantine Empire to surrender.
  - b) Constantinople had no walls to protect it.
  - c) The Ottomans had enormous cannons.

#### 2. What is NOT true about the Janissaries?

- a) They were slaves of the sultan.
- **b)** They were the sultan's personal army.
- c) Only Turks were trained to be Janissaries.

#### 3. Why did the Ottoman sultans want to capture Rome?

- a) It was the only city in Europe.
- b) It was where the pope lived, and it was a symbol of European culture.
- c) The people of Italy did not want to trade with the Ottoman Empire.

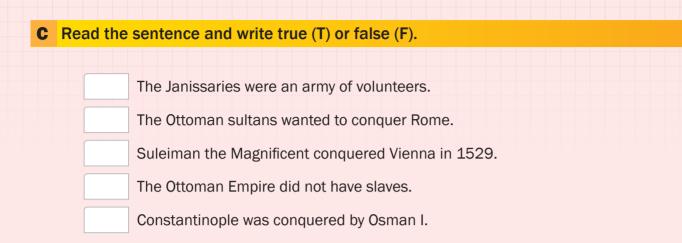
#### 4. What was an important result of the Ottoman Empire conquering Constantinople?

- a) The people of Europe all converted to Islam.
- b) Many scholars fled to Italy and helped start a period called the Renaissance.
- c) Europeans were no longer afraid of the Ottomans.

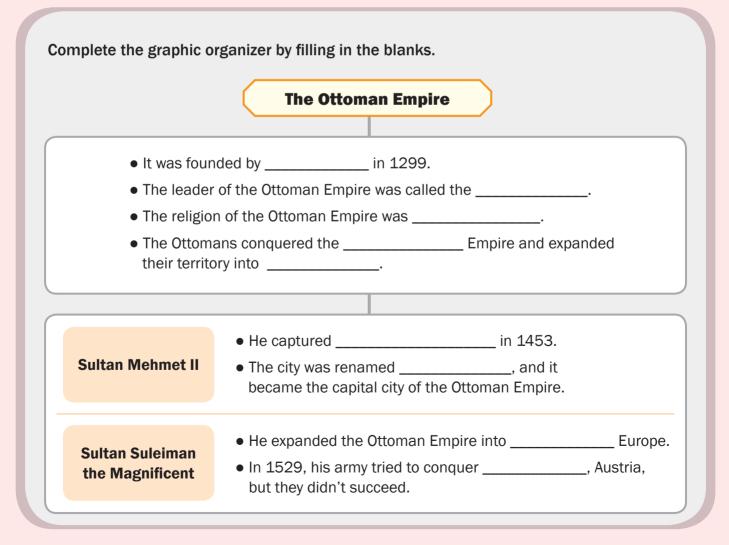
#### **B** Number the sentences from 1 to 5 to show the correct order of events.

Suleiman the Magnificent besieged Vienna.
Osman I started the Ottoman Empire.
The Ottomans conquered Constantinople.
The Byzantine Empire stopped Turkish tribes from crossing over into Europe.
Turkish nomad tribes moved into Anatolia.





## **Facts to Remember**



# **LESSON 2** Constantinople to Istanbul

"I am the sultan of sultans, and the strongest ruler, the highest king who defeats the kingdoms of the world..." - Suleiman the Magnificent (1494 ~ 1566)

#### Fill in the blanks with the correct words as you read.

besieged	advisors	inspire	fortress	architect

Today in class, we learned about the Ottomans, and how they conquered the capital city of the Byzantine Empire. The Byzantine Emperors had lived there for about a thousand years.

My teacher told us that, the city of Istanbul was called Constantinople, up until 1453 and many Greeks lived there. Constantinople looked like a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_because **it** was protected by strong walls. The Ottomans arrived in 1453 and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_the city. **They** fired cannons at the walls day and night for over a month. When the walls finally fell, the Byzantine Empire was conquered.

Many Greeks fled the city, but the Ottoman leaders were tolerant of other cultures and religions. They built colleges and libraries, and they invited scholars to study and teach. There were so many people from other countries that a separate city was built for them.

The Ottomans took many prisoners during their conquests. The prisoners became slaves. However, the Ottomans treated their slaves a little differently from other conquerors. Some slaves could have powerful jobs like \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the sultans. The Ottomans also took young boys from Christian families and trained **them** to be soldiers. They became the sultan's personal army, called the Janissaries.

My teacher said that the most famous slave was Sinan. He was an \_\_\_\_\_\_ who created many buildings. He is the one who built the Suleymaniye Mosque in the 1500s. It was for Sultan Suleiman the Magnificent. At the end of class today, my teacher showed us a picture of the Sulymaniye Mosque. It is a huge and impressive building. I think it must \_\_\_\_\_\_ anybody who visits Istanbul.

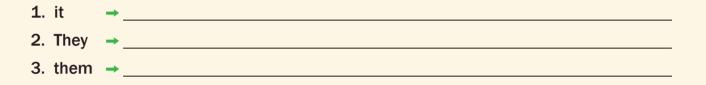


#### **LESSON 2 Constantinople to Istanbul**

# Comprehension Check

## **Context Clue**

What do the three words in bold in the passage refer to?



## **Critical Thinking**

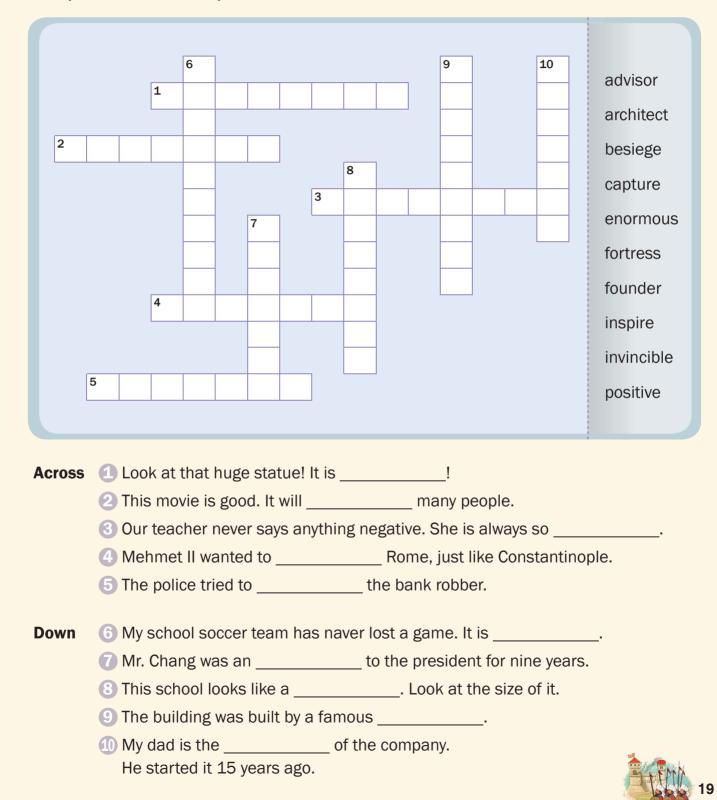
- **A** Think about the following questions and write the answers.
  - 1. How did the Ottomans conquer Constantinople?
  - 2. What happened to Constantinople after the Ottomans conquered it?
  - 3. Why do you think the Ottoman Empire gave important jobs to slaves?
  - 4. Do you think the young boys from Christian families wanted to be Janissaries?
- **B** Share your answers with the class.

## **Journal Writing**

Write a paragraph in your journal about one of the topics below.

- 1. What did you learn about the Ottoman Empire?
- 2. What makes one culture different from another culture?

# Vocabulary Review



#### Complete the crossword puzzle with the correct words.