

The Muslim Empires

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<p>Key Terms</p> <p>Mehmed II janissaries vizier</p>	<p>Big Picture</p> <p>As the Mongol Empire began to decline, three great Muslim empires coalesced: the Ottoman, Mughal, and Safavid. (Reading assignments will focus on the Ottoman and Mughal.) These empires were characterized by military power based on gunpowder, political absolutism, a cultural renaissance, and a multifaceted relationship with the West.</p>
<p>Answers to In Depth Gunpowder Empires and the Shifting Balance of Global Power</p>	<p>Objectives</p> <p>Students should be able to...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • identify the political and social characteristics of the Ottoman Empire • explain the development of the Ottoman Empire • compare the characteristics of the Ottoman Empire and the Spanish Empire • analyze Ottoman interaction with Western Europe and Russia
<p>Document Analysis None</p>	<p>Chapter Questions</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What events facilitated the rise of the Ottoman Empire? 2. What were the basic characteristics (political, economic, social, and cultural) of the Ottoman Empire? 3. What was the relationship of the Ottoman Empire to the West? Russia? 4. What weaknesses led to the decline of the Ottoman Empire? <p>Questions from Reading</p>