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Who were the Ottoman Turks?



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- Muslims from Asia Minor
- spread empire to North Africa, Middle East, & Balkan Peninsula
- traded coffee & ceramics

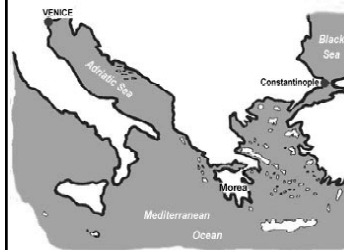


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What was Constantinople?

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- capital of E'ern Roman Empire
- important Christian city
- important trade city



Q: Look at map. Why might this be an important city?

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What is Istanbul?



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- Turks conquered Constantinople
- renamed it Istanbul
- became capital of Ottoman Empire

REFLECTION:

How would Muslims and Christians have reacted differently to what happened to Constantinople?