# Turks, Moors, and Englishmen in the Age of Discovery: A Journey Through the Mediterranean, the Atlantic, and the Americas

In the early modern world, the Mediterranean Sea was a crossroads of cultures and civilizations. Europeans, Muslims, and Africans came together in this vibrant region, exchanging goods, ideas, and technologies. This was a time of great change and upheaval, as the Ottoman Empire expanded into Europe and the Portuguese and Spanish began to explore the Atlantic and the Americas. In this sweeping narrative history, historian John Thornton tells the story of how these three great civilizations interacted, competed, and ultimately shaped the course of history.

Thornton begins his book with the fall of Constantinople in 1453, an event that marked the end of the Byzantine Empire and the rise of the Ottoman Empire. The Ottomans were a powerful Muslim empire that quickly expanded into Europe, conquering vast territories in the Balkans, Central Europe, and the Mediterranean. The Ottoman Empire posed a major threat to Christian Europe, and the Europeans responded with a series of crusades and wars.



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At the same time that the Ottomans were expanding into Europe, the Portuguese and Spanish were beginning to explore the Atlantic and the Americas. In 1492, Christopher Columbus sailed across the Atlantic Ocean and landed in the Americas. This event marked the beginning of the European colonization of the Americas, which would have a profound impact on the history of the world.

Turks, Moors, and Englishmen is a masterwork of historical scholarship. Thornton has drawn on a wealth of primary sources and cutting-edge scholarship to tell the story of this pivotal era in human history. This book is a must-read for anyone interested in the history of the Mediterranean, the Atlantic, and the Americas.

Here are some of the key themes that Thornton explores in his book:

- The interaction between Europeans, Muslims, and Africans in the early modern world
- The rise of the Ottoman Empire and its impact on Europe
- The European exploration of the Atlantic and the Americas
- The impact of European colonization on the Americas

Turks, Moors, and Englishmen is a complex and nuanced book that challenges traditional narratives of the Age of Discovery. Thornton shows that this was a time of both great progress and great violence. He also shows that the interactions between Europeans, Muslims, and Africans were often more complex and multifaceted than we might imagine.

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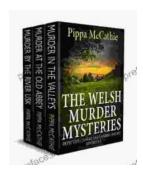
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