

The Middle Ages

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What the Sumerians knew

What the Babylonians knew

What the Hittites knew

What the Persians knew

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What the Indians knew

What the Chinese knew

What the Greeks knew

What the Phoenicians knew

What the Romans knew

What the Barbarians knew

What the Jews knew

What the Christians knew

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What the Muslims knew

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*"The first thing that we do
let's kill all the lawyers"*
(Henry VI, II.4, Shakespeare)

*"Under no circumstances should a true Christian
draw the sword"*
(Tertullian, 2nd century AD)

What the Middle Ages knew

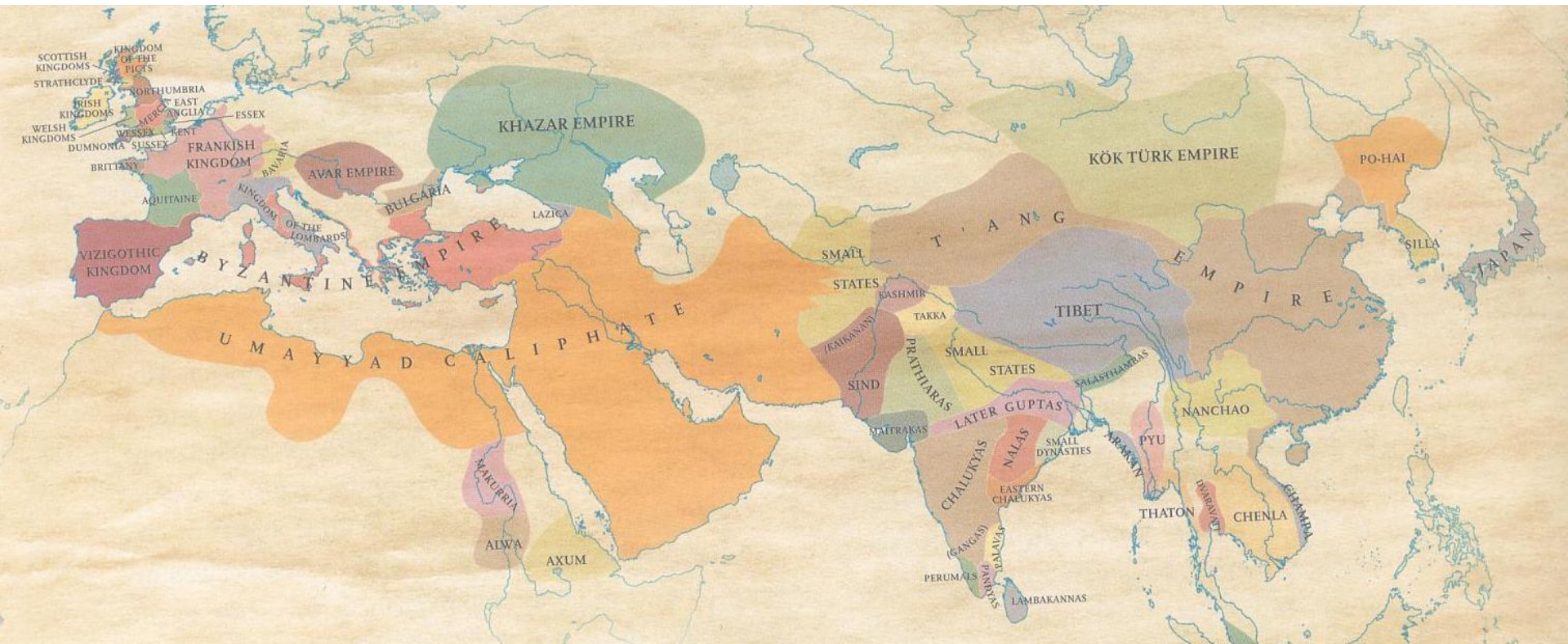
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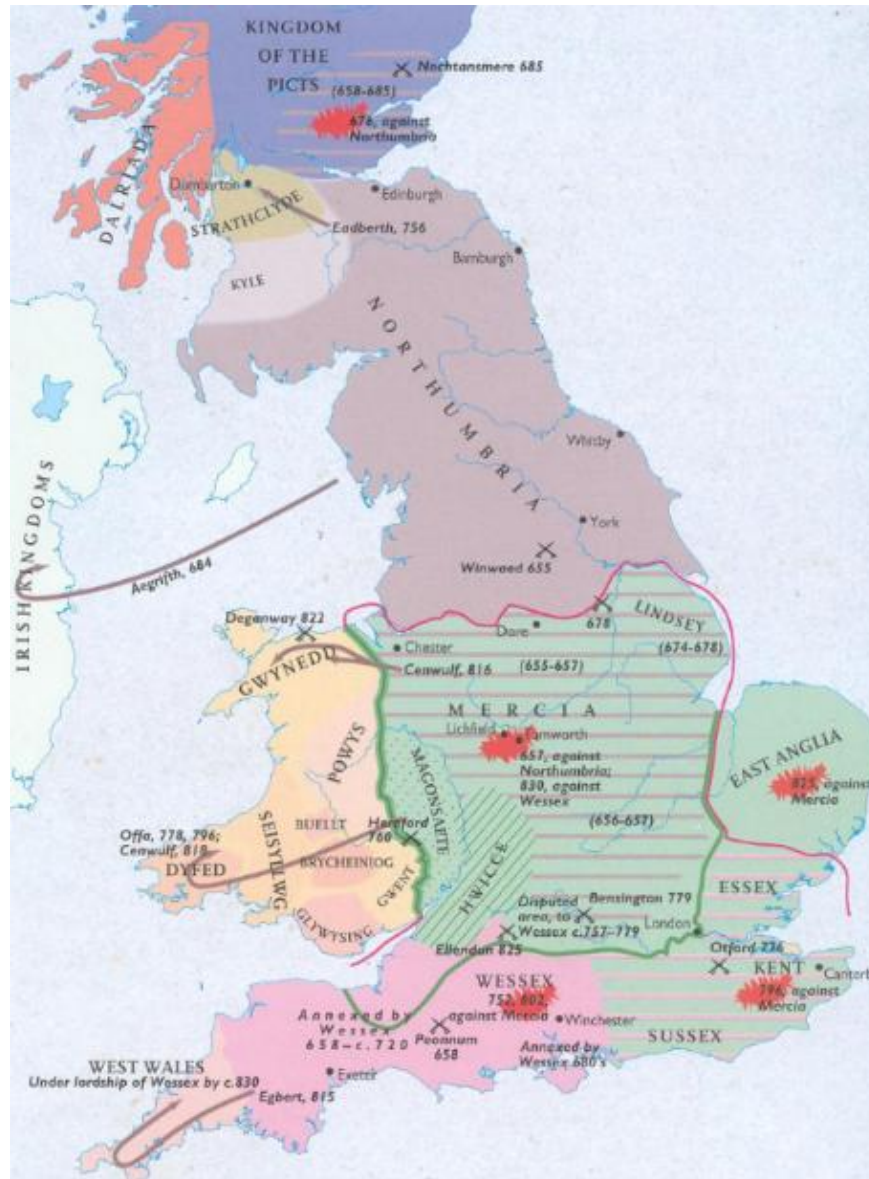
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The world in 700 AD



(Oxford Atlas of the Medieval World)

England in 700



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800: the Pope crowns Charlemagne emperor of the Holy Roman Empire

834: Vikings (Danes) raid England

843: the Holy Roman Empire is divided among Charlemagne's sons

843: Genoa proclaims its independence from the Frankish empire

889: Venezia (Venice) becomes independent

962: Otto I of Germany is crowned emperor by the Pope in Rome

981: Erik the Red discovers Greenland

988: Vladimir converts Russia to Christianity, the largest state in Europe

1000: 7 million people live in France, 7 million in Iberia, 5 million in Italy, 4 million in Germany, 2 million in Britain

1000: Kaifeng (China) is the largest city in the world with about one million

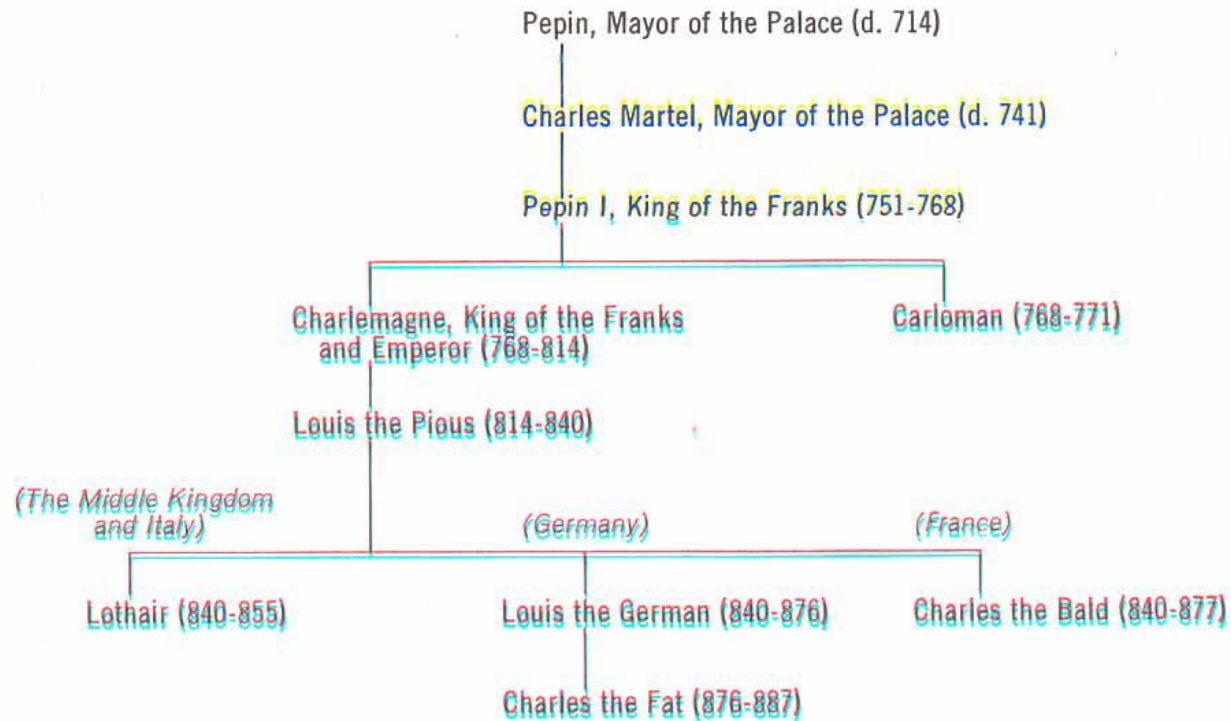
1004: the ruler of Castilla assumes the title of king

1028: Canute conquers Norway after Denmark and England

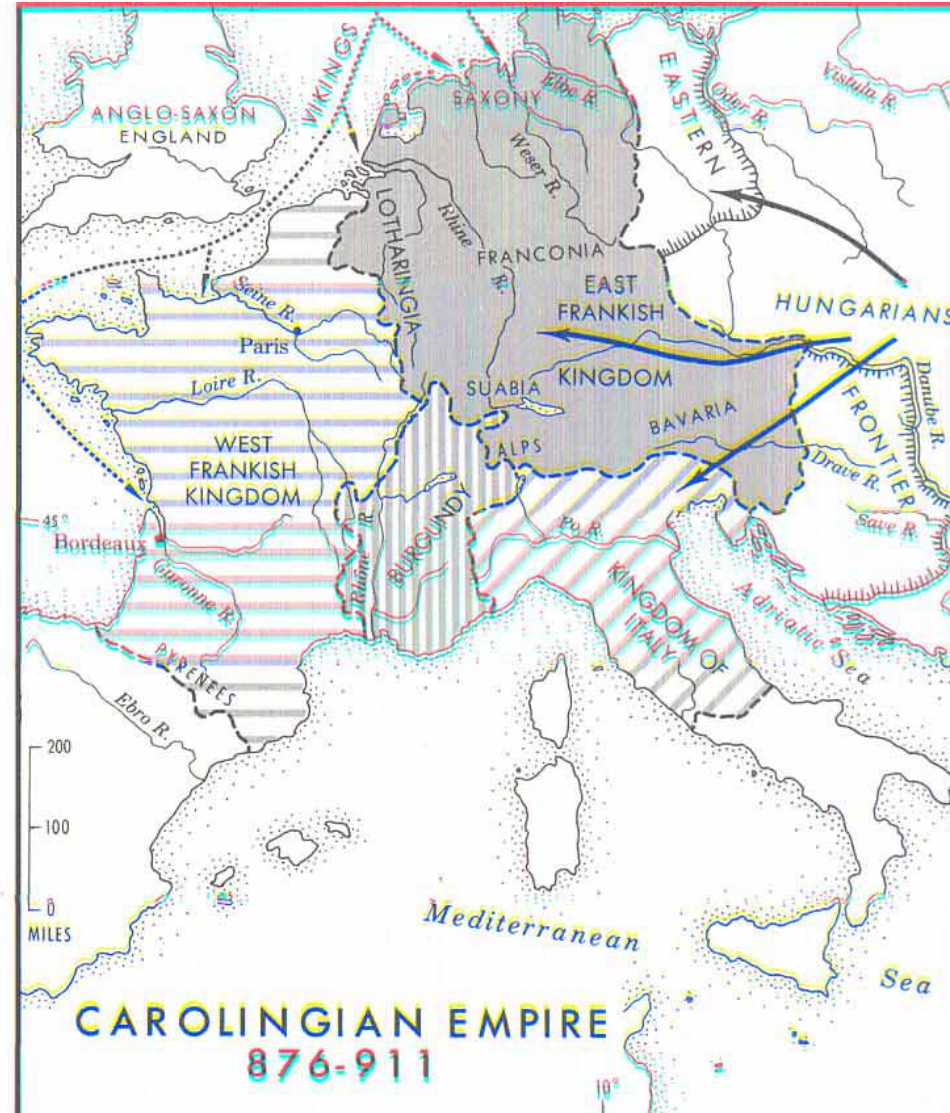
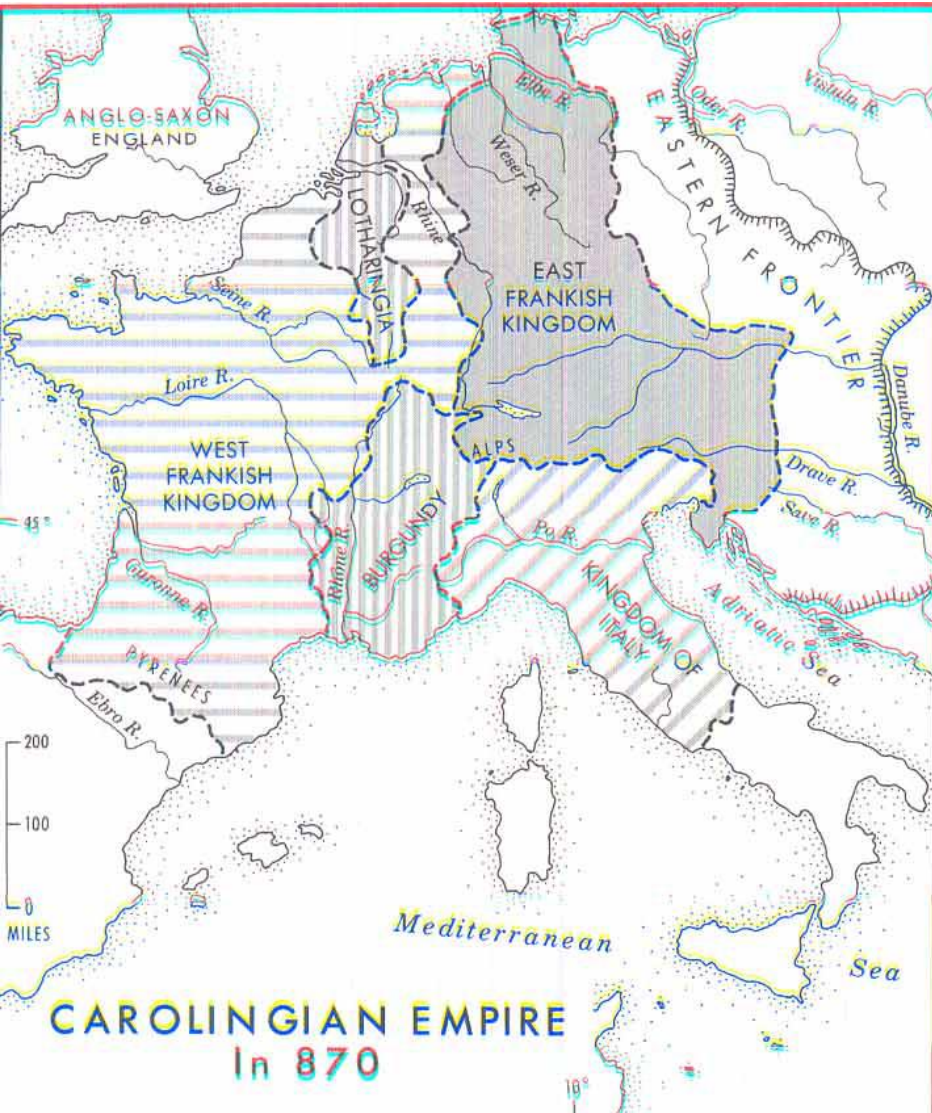
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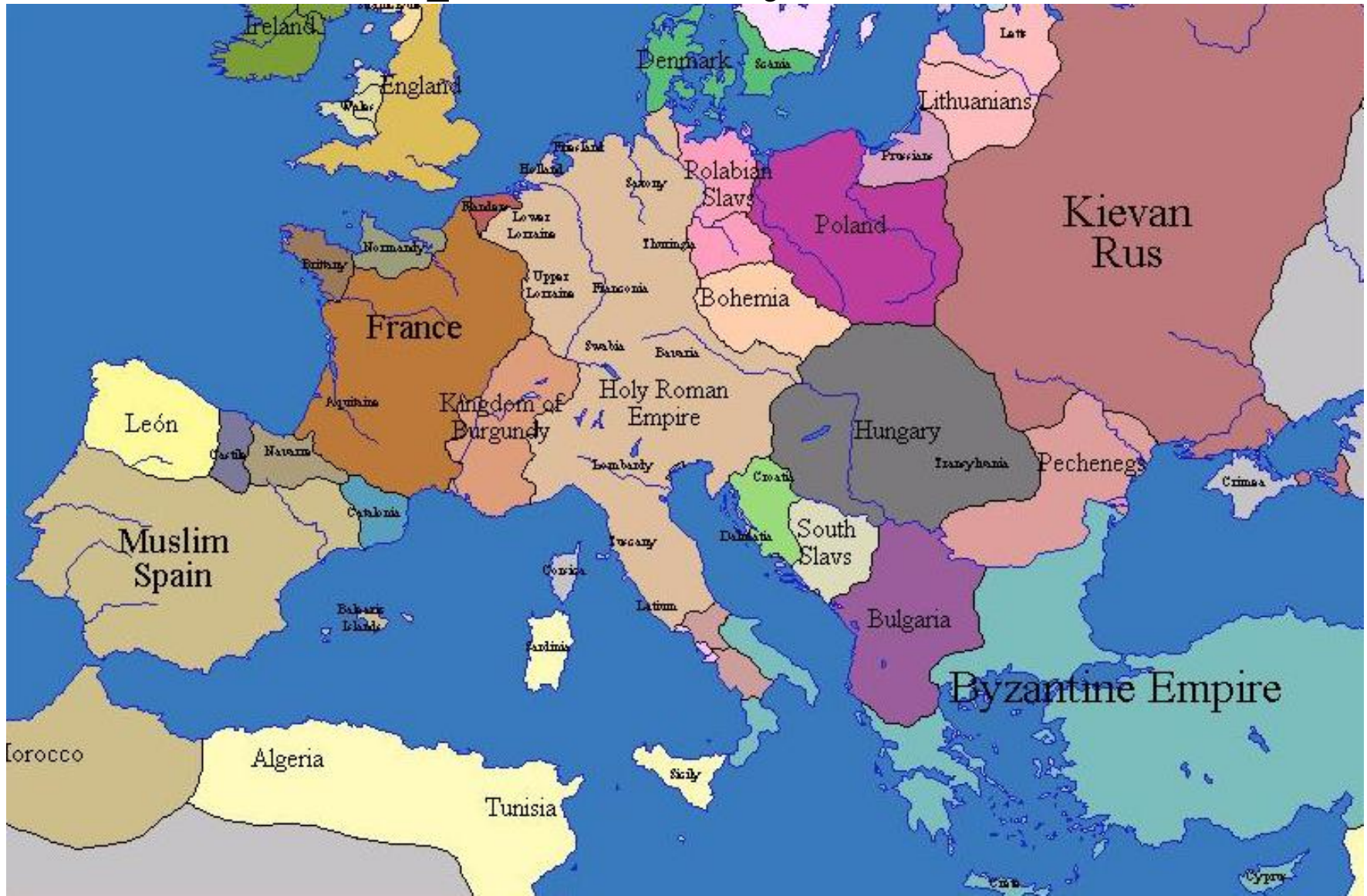
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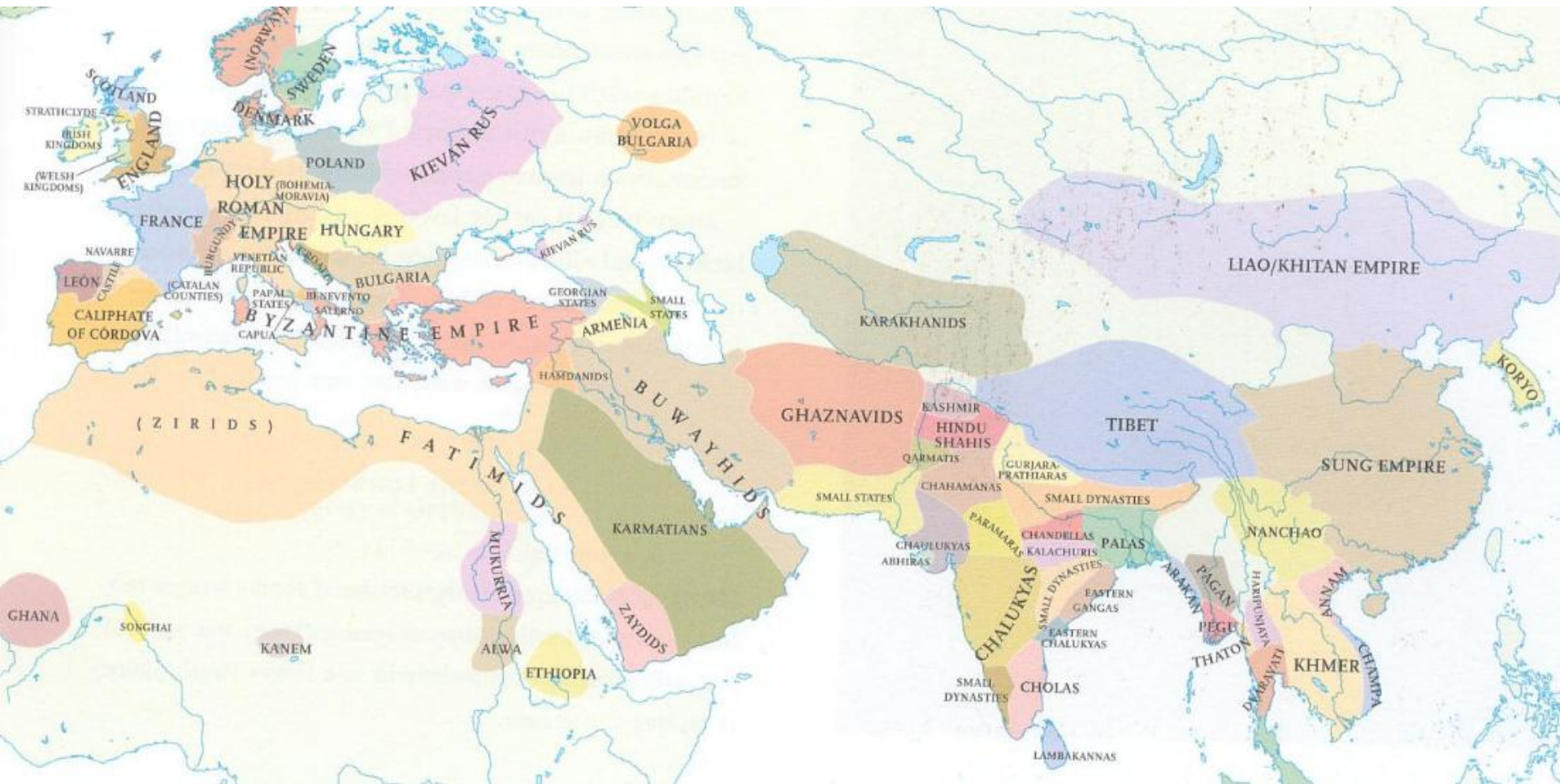


Europe in the year 1000



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The world in 1000 AD



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1039: Cluny monastery becomes the head of a monastic feudal system

1066: William of Normandy (the Conqueror) ends the Anglo-Saxon rule of England

1088: Irnerius founds a school of law at Bologna, the first university

1095: Pope Urban II calls for a Crusade against the Muslims

1118: Arabs import gunpowder from China

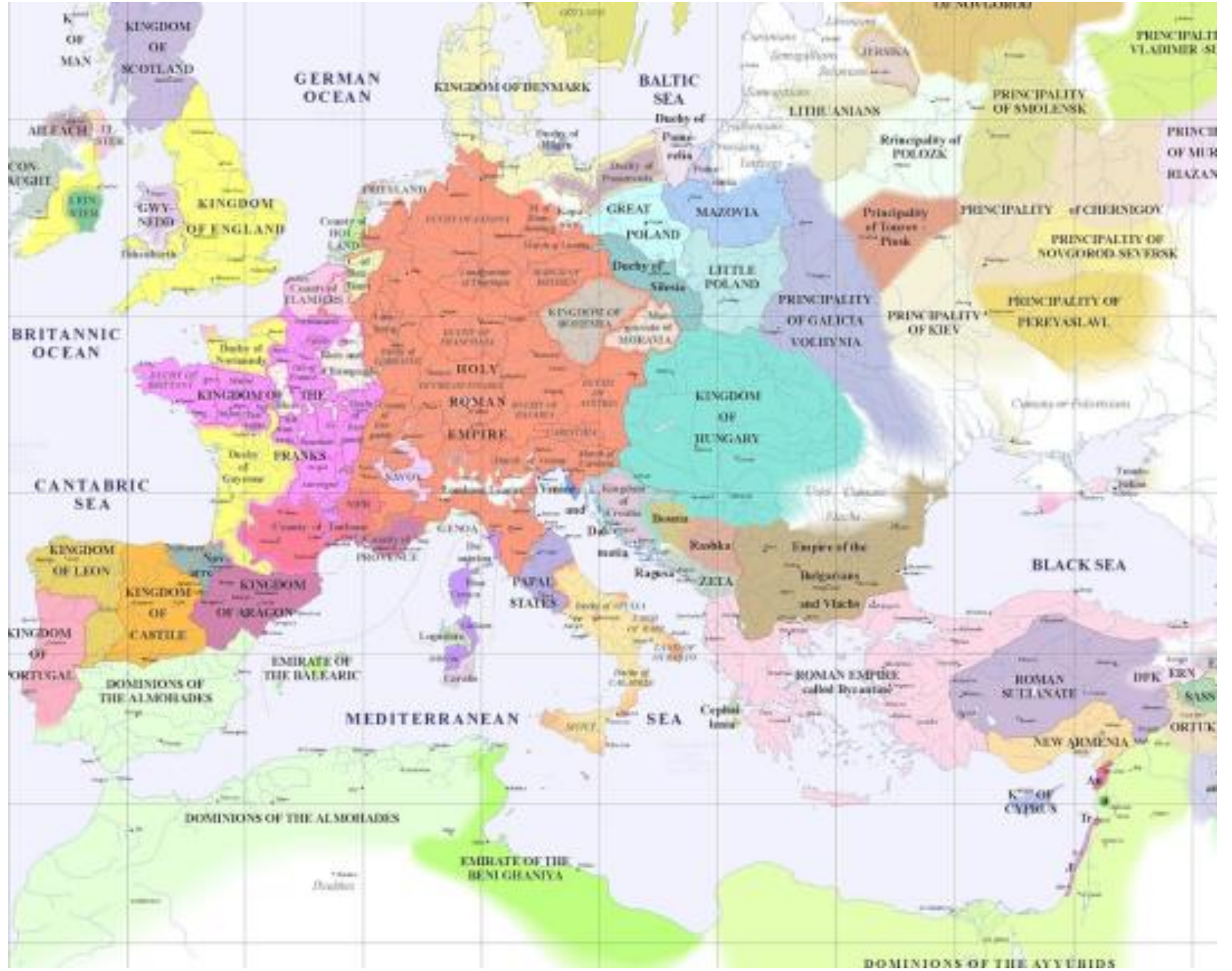
1137: The cathedral of Saint-Denis is built in a new style, the gothic style

1138: Firenze declares itself an independent “commune”

1176: the Italian communes defeat the emperor

1189: the third Crusade is led by king Richard of England, king Philip Augustus II of France, and emperor Frederick Barbarossa

1204: the Crusaders sack Constantinople/ Byzantium



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- 1206: Temujin (Genghis Khan) unifies all Mongol and Tatar tribes
- 1214: France defeats Germany and England
- 1215: The Magna Carta is signed in England
- 1227: Genghis Khan dies and the Mongol empire is split among khanates
- 1230: Castilla and Leon are united under Ferdinand III of Castilla
- 1233: Gregory IX institutes the Inquisition
- 1240: Mongols take Russia, Poland, Balkans (Golden Horde)
- 1241: Hamburg and Luebeck sign a treaty (Hanseatic League)

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1251: Mongols invade Persia and establish the Ilkhanate

1255: the Ilkhan invades the Middle East and captures Baghdad

1257: Mongols led by Kublai (Yuan) conquer China

1258: Mongols conquer Mesopotamia and Syria

1260: Kublai declares Buddhism the state religion

1260: Mongols are stopped by an Arab army in Palestine



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1301: Osman founds the Ottoman dynasty in Anatolia (Turkey)

1309: French pope Clement V moves to Avignon

1337: Philippe VI of France and Edward III of England go to war
("Hundred Years' War")

1340: guns are fired from ships for the first time at the battle of Sluys

1348: the plague ("Black Death") spreads throughout Europe and
kills 25 million people, 1/3 of the European population

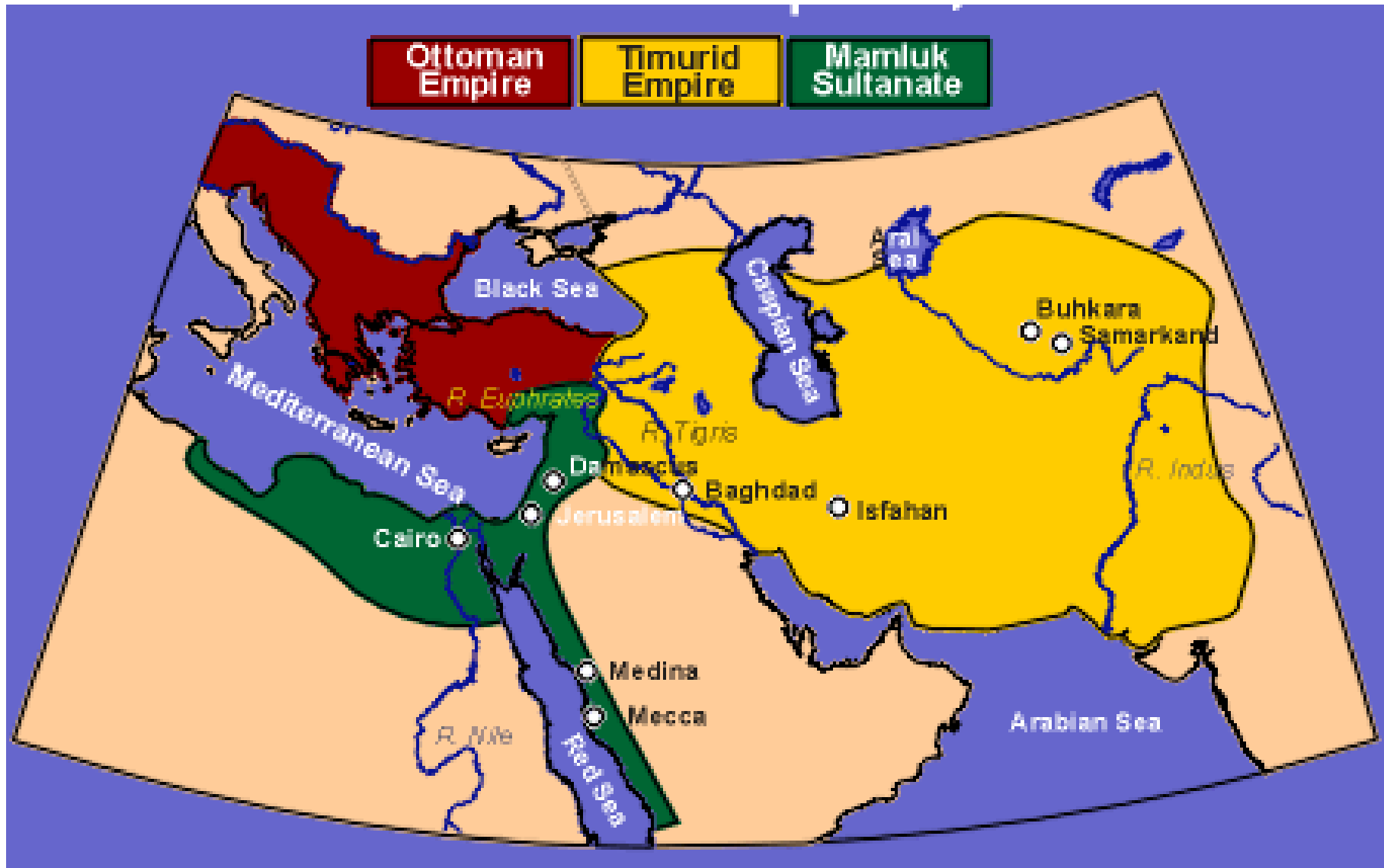
1354: the Ottomans occupy Gallipoli, first outpost in Europe

1365: the Turkic-speaking Timur overthrows the Chaghatai khanate
conquers Persia

1398: Timur invades India and sacks Delhi, causing demise of the
Delhi Sultinate

1405: Timur dies on his way to conquer China

Ottomans and Timur, 1405



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1413: Poland and Lithuania sign a Treaty of Union

1453: France expels the English (end of "Hundred Years' War")

1453: the Ottoman Turks capture Constantinople/Byzantium and rename it Istanbul

1456: Gutenberg invents the printing press

1462: Ivan III, the first czar

1469: Aragonia and Castilla are united through marriage (Spain)

1480: Ivan III liberates Russia from the Mongols

1480: Spanish Inquisition

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1487: Bartolomeu Dias rounds the Cape of Good Hope in Africa

1492: Spain expels the last Arab kingdom

1492: Cristoforo Colombo lands in America

1494: Pope Alexander VI brokers an agreement dividing the Americas between Spain and Portugal

Ottoman Empire in 1550



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- Europe
 - 476-800: Barbarian kingdoms
 - 800-1264: Holy Roman empire
 - 831-1042: Viking expansion
 - 1264-1494: French supremacy
 - 1337-1453: Hundred Years' war between France and England
 - 1494-1618: Spanish supremacy
 - 1492: Reconquista
 - 1494-1529: Italian wars
 - 1354-1683: Ottoman expansion
 - 1453: Fall of Constantinople/Byzantium
 - 1413-1721: Poland-Lithuania expansion

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- Asia
 - Tang China 618-907
 - Arabs/Umayyad dynasty 622-749
 - Arabs/Abbasid dynasty 749-1258
 - Song China (960-1279)
 - Seljuqs 992-1118
 - Mongol empire 1190-1368
 - Delhi sultanate 1192-1526
 - Timur 1365-1469
 - Ming China 1368-1644
 - Moghul empire 1526-1858

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