Crash Course European History: Viewing Guide
Episode 16: Governance and Growth in Eastern Europe

Terms to know from this episode:
- Suleyman the Magnificent’s
- janissary corps
- Ivan the Terrible
- serfs
- Cossacks
- “Time of Troubles”
- Battle of Vienna

1. In Poland, a king was elected by representatives (a lot of aristocrats). What do you think of this idea of choosing a ruler?

2. What did Poland-Lithuania decide about religious toleration? What was their main religion?

3. In Eastern Europe, what did kingdoms compete for?

4. _____________________________ Muslims were tolerant of religious minorities, except Christians were _____________________________ at a higher rate.

5. Name two of Suleyman the Magnificent’s achievements in the Ottoman Empire.

6. The _____________________________ was a “place for state business, policy decision-making, and other important matters.”

7. Conquered Christian boys could be drafted into the army and bureaucracy, joining the _____________________________. From there, they could rise to high levels of government.
8. Under the Ottomans, generally had more/less (circle one) inheritance and property rights than in the West.

9. Name two reforms of Ivan the Terrible/ Formidable/ Fearsome/Awesome.

10. __________________________ helped Ivan in his conquests and “survived through plunder and trade and through selling their military services to rulers and nobility who needed their __________________________ skills.”

11. “The __________________________ was so named because of the famine of 1601-3, as well as Poland-Lithuanian and Swedish attacks on Russia, and the general devastation caused by that warfare.”

12. Russia gained what is now the Eastern part of the Ukraine in the __________________________, which ended in 1667.

13. In 1683, Polish king Jan Sobieski joined forces with the Habsburg monarchy to drive out the invading Ottoman forces in the Battle for __________________________.

14. How does Eastern Europe seem different from Western Europe in the 17th Century?

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