The Rise and Decline of the Byzantine Empire

Rise of the Byzantine Empire	
Factors	Outcomes
	Byzantium becomes capital of the empire
Constantine becomes emperor of Rome	Eastern part of the empire becomes center of power
Roman Empire is divided	Western Roman Empire collapses in 476 Eastern Roman empire becomes known as the Byzantine empire
Justinian becomes emperor	Byzantine empire Byzantine empire reconquers North Africa, Italy, and Southern Spain Impressive buildings are constructed Law is reformed

Decline of the Byzantine Empire	
Factors	Outcomes
	Normans conquer southern Italy
Invasions	
	Seljuk Turks advance through Asia Minor
	Trade rivalries lead to conflict with Venice
Crusades	
	Knights recapture Constantinople during
	Fourth Crusade
	Constantinople is captured by Turks
Ottoman attack	
	Constantinople is transformed into Muslim
	Istanbul

