Wars of Religion

- 1. Warfare (total war) in Europe over religion, esp. between Peace of Augsburg (1555) and Peace of Westphalia (1648)
 - a. few believed in religious toleration: only Poland and Holland offered religious toleration (and they were seen as wrong)
 - b. wars of Italy, 1490s-1520s vs. wars of religion north of Alps
 - Why? State-building and religious (ideological identity)
- 2. Which Religions, which war?
 - a. Islam (Ottoman Turks) vs. Xtianity
 - b. War against Witches
 - c. War for Souls: Protestant vs. Catholic
- 3. French (Civil) Wars of Religion
 - a. Huguenots in southern France by 1560s (Geneva nearby)
 - b. Power vacuum with death of Henri II in 1559 (widow Catherine de Medici, sone and daughters)
 - c. politiques, Henri IV, (1589-1610), Edict of Nantes 1598
- 4. Philip II and the North
 - a. Charles V abdicates in 1556, just after Peace of Augsburg, retires to monastery (bro. Ferdinand-Austrian lands and H.R.E.; son Philip II-Spanish lands, incl. Spanish Netherlands)
 - b. Dutch Revolt
 - e. Philip and England: 1588
- 5. Thirty Years War
 - a. trigger: "Defenestration of Prague" (1618, Bohemia), Protestants
 - b. Wai
 - c. Consequences