The Crusades

I. Reasons to fight

A. Pope Urban II wanted to end fighting between knights so he sent them on a religious mission

- B. Seljuk Turks invaded the Byzantine Empire and the Holy Land
- C. Pope wanted to increase power and gain control of the eastern empire
- D. Knights wanted adventure and to become rich
- II. Results of the Crusades
 - A. Fighting left a legacy of religious hatred between Christians and Muslims
 - B. The Reconquista in Spain, where Christians pushed out Muslims
 - C. The power of emperors increased
 - D. Trade increased due to the extensive road systems in the east
 - E. Learning and education in Europe was important again