

III. Empire Created

A. New lands

1. Wants to make France bigger than just Europe, ready to conquer the world
2. 1789 planters wanted privileges as people of France. Slaves want freedom and civil war breaks out on the Island of Haiti (Saint Domingue). Slaves take control
3. In 1801 sends soldiers to take over Haiti again, but things do not work out again too many soldiers die of yellow fever and battle
4. Make some money Napoleon cuts losses in America and sells the Louisiana Territory = \$15 million
5. Stopped in the Americas decides just to focus on Europe

B. Coronation as Emperor

1. Dec, 2 1804 in a lavish ceremony in Notre Dame Napoleon takes the crown from the Pope and crowns himself Emperor. Gesture signaled he believed more powerful and important than the church
2. Quickly captures country after country
 - First annexed the Austrian Netherlands, part of Italy, and control of Switzerland
 - Fighting against him were Britain, Austria, Russia, and Sweden, after winning most battles countries agreed to sign peace treaties with Napoleon
 - Only lost one battle against the British Navy on the coast of Spain = the battle of Trafalgar This kept him from capturing Britain and established them as the most powerful navy for years.

IV. Napoleon's Empire Collapses

- Loved power & takes steps to make empire bigger
- Makes Three mistakes which leads to the collapse

A. Mistake 1

1. Desire to crush Britain.
2. Ends all trade with Britain in 1806