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### **The History of the Mongol Conquests**

The successes of the Mongols included unifying disparate nomadic tribes to form a powerful empire, establishing a trade network that stretched across Asia and Europe, and expanding their territories quickly and efficiently. The failures of the Mongols resulted from the inability to consolidate their political power (Crash Course, 2012). After Genghis Khan's death, the empire fragmented and split into four sections. One thing I found interesting about the Mongols is their use of psychological warfare tactics. Before going into battle, they would send messengers to the enemy with a warning that stated the Mongol forces would spare those who surrendered but would kill those who resisted. This tactic was very effective in intimidating their opponents and helped them win battles with relative ease.

#### **Reference**

Crash Course. (2012). Wait For It... The Mongols! Crash Course World History #17:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=szxPar0BcMo>