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THE LEGENDS FROM MY COUNTRY

The greatest legend from my country is Marko Kraljevic. He appeared when the people needed him the most. It was the age when Serbia was captured by the Turks.

He served Turkey, and all of the legends about him were against them. The people described him as a brave, tall and honorable man with a mustache and usually a pistol. In one legend, while Marko was plowing the road the Turks came and yelled at him: 'Marko, don't plow the road!', then he yelled 'Turks, don't stand on my plow.'

Without Marko Serbia wouldn't even rise up against the Turks and win in the end.

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