

SOME DATES FROM ANCIENT GREEK PHILOSOPHY & HISTORY

Philosophy

Thales (ca. 640-546 B.C.)
Anaximander (ca. 610-545)
Pythagoras (ca. 581-507)
Xenophanes (ca. 570-480)
Anaximenes (fl. 550)
Heraclitus (ca. 535-470)
Parmenides (fl. 500-450)
Anaxagoras (ca.500-428)
Empedocles (ca. 490-445)
Zeno of Elea (fl. 475)
Melissus (fl. 440)

Socrates (469-399)

Leucippus (fl. 445)
Democritus (460-370)
Antisthenes (b. ca. 440)

Plato (427-347)
Aristotle (384-322)

Pyrrho (360-270)
Zeno of Citium (350-258)
Epicurus (341-277)
Euclid (335-275)
Arcesilaus (315-241)
Chrysippus (280-206)
Carneades (213-129)
Posidonius (135-50)

Cicero (106-43)
Seneca (4 B.C.-65 A.D.)
Epictetus (55-135 A.D.)

Sextus Empiricus (160-210)
Plotinus (205-269)
Porphyry (233-300)

Literature & Political History

Homer (fl. ca. 750 B.C.): *Iliad, Odyssey*
Hesiod (fl. ca. 735 B.C.): *Works & Days, Theogony*

War with Persia:

Battle of Marathon (490 B.C.)
Battles of Thermopylae and Salamis (480)

Aeschylus (525-456): *Prometheus Bound, Oresteia*
Sophocles (496-406): *Oedipus Rex, Antigone, Electra*
Euripides (484-406): *Medea, Hippolytus, Alcestis*

Aristophanes (ca. 450-380): *The Clouds, The Birds, The Frogs*

Age of Pericles (461-431)
Peloponnesian War (430-404)
Thucydides (ca. 460-396): *History of the Peloponnesian War*

Sparta and Thebes are the major powers in Greece (400-340)

Rule of Philip, King of Macedon (359-336)
Rule of Alexander the Great (336-323)

Rome annexes Greek colonies in southern Italy (227)
Sack of Corinth by Romans (146)
Sack of Athens by Romans (87)
Julius Caesar assassinated (40)
Battle of Actium: Augustus defeats Anthony; end of the Roman Republic (31)
Virgil (70-19 B.C.): *Aeneid*

Rule of Marcus Aurelius (161-180 A.D.)
Emperor Justinian closes Plato's Academy at Athens (529 A.D.)