

A Time Line for Reference

Historical Notes	Prose		Poetry	
	Greek	Latin	Greek	Latin
Founding of Rome (753 B.C.)			Homer (9th cent. B.C. ?) Hesiod (8th cent. B.C. ?)	
Golden Age of Greece (5th century B.C.)	Herodotus (480-425 B.C.) Thucydides (c.460-c.400B.C.)		Greek Lyric Writers Alcaeus, Sappho, etc., flourished c.600 B.C. Aeschylus (525-456 B.C.) Pindar (c.518-443 B.C.) Sophocles (496-406 B.C.) Euripides (c.480-406 B.C.) Aristophanes (c.448-c.380 B.C.)	
Fourth Century B.C.	Plato (427-348 B.C.) Aristotle (384-322 B.C.)		Greek New Comedy Menander (343-292 B.C.) Diphilus (4th cent. B.C.)	
Death of Alexander the Great (323 B.C.)			Callimachus (c.310 B.C.-?) Apollonius of Rhodes (c.295-215 B.C.) Theocritus (fl. c.270 B.C.)	
Rome controls all Italy (265 B.C.)				Livius Andronicus (c.284-204 B.C.)
First Punic War (264-241 B.C.)				Naevius (c.270-201 B.C.)
Second Punic War (218-202 B.C.)		Ennius (239-169 B.C.) Cato (234-149 B.C.)		Plautus (254-184 B.C.) Ennius (239-169 B.C.)
Destruction of Carthage and Corinth (146 B.C.)				Terence (195-159 B.C.)
Consulship of Cicero (63 B.C.)		Cicero (106-43 B.C.)		Publilius Syrus (100-50 B.C.)
Death of Julius Caesar (44 B.C.)		Caesar (102-44 B.C.) Sallust (86-35 B.C.)		Lucretius (94-55 B.C.)
Battle of Actium (31 B.C.)				Catullus (c.84-c.54 B.C.) Gallus (70-26 B.C.)
Principate of Augustus (27 B.C.-14 A.D.)		Livy (59B.C.-17 A.D.)		Vergil (70-19 B.C.) Horace (65-8 B.C.) Tibullus (60-19 B.C.)

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Conquest of Britain Begun (43 A.D.)				Ovid (43 B.C.-18 A.D.)
Principate of Nero (54-68 A.D.)		Seneca (4 B.C.-65 A.D.)		Seneca (4 B.C.-65 A.D.)
Murder of Agrippina (59 A.D.)		Petronius (?-66 A.D.)		
Fire at Rome (64 A.D.)				
Late 1st-2nd Centuries A.D.		Quintilian (35-96 A.D.)		Lucan (39-65 A.D.)
Capture of Jerusalem by Titus (70 A.D.)	Plutarch (46-120 A.D.)	Tacitus (c.54-? A.D.)		Statius (c. 40-96 A.D.)
Pompeii, Herculaneum destroyed (79 A.D.)		Pliny the Younger (61-113 A.D.)		Martial (40-104 A.D.)
		Suetonius (70-160 A.D.)		Juvenal (65-140 A.D.)
	Lucian (c.115-200 A.D.)	Apuleius (123-170 A.D.)		
		Tertullian (c.150-230 A.D.)		
		Cyprian (c.200-258 A.D.)		
		Lactantius (born c.250 A.D.)		
Constantine converts to Christianity (312 A.D.)		St. Gregory of Nyssa (c.331-c.396 A.D.)		
Council of Nicea (325 A.D.)		St. Ambrose (c.340-397 A.D.)		
Constantinople Adopted as Capital (330 A.D.)				
Sack of Rome by Alaric (410 A.D.)		St. Jerome (c.340-420 A.D.)		
Vandals Plunder Rome (455 A.D.)		St. Augustine (354-430 A.D.)		
End of Western Empire (476 A.D.)		Boethius (c.480-524 A.D.)		
Schools of Athens Closed (529 A.D.)		St. Gregory of Tours (538-594 A.D.)		

Pope St. Gregory the Great (c. 540-604)

The Venerable Bede (672-735)