

History Reading List including Ancient Authors

I. Classical Greece

Rowlandson, Jane. *Women and Society in Greek and Roman Egypt: A Sourcebook*. 1998. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Bagnall, R. S. and Peter Derow. *Historical Sources in Translation: The Hellenistic Period*. Malden, MA: Wiley-Blackwell, 2003.

Bagnall, R. S. *Women's Letters from Ancient Egypt, 300BC-800AD*. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press, 2006.

Burstein, Stanley. *The Hellenistic Age from the Battle of Ipsos to the Death of Kleopatra VII*. Cambridge, UK and New York: Cambridge University Press, 1985.

Long, A. A. and D. N. Sedley. *The Hellenistic Philosophers, vol. 1: Translations of the Principal Sources*. Cambridge, UK and New York: Cambridge University Press, 1987.

Rhodes, P. J., and Robin Osborne. 2007. *Greek historical inscriptions, 404–323 BC*. New York: Oxford Univ. Press.

Plutarch, *On Sparta* (Penguin), ed. Richard Talbert, 2005

Aristotle and Xenophon on Democracy and Oligarchy, ed. J. M. Moore and Kurt Raaflaub. 2010. Berkeley and Los Angeles: University of California Press. Old edition without Raaflaub preface OK.

Lefkowitz, Mary and Maureen Fant. 2005. *Women's Lives in Greece and Rome: A Sourcebook in Translation*. Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press.

Aeschines, all

Aristophanes, *Acharnians, Lysistrata*

Demosthenes, *Philippics, Neaera, On the Crown*

Euripides, *Trojan Women*

Herodotus, all

Plutarch's *Solon, Themistocles, Pericles, Cimon, Alcibiades, Lysander*

Thucydides, all

Xenophon, *Hellenica*, all; *Oeconomicus*, all

II. Hellenistic World

Arrian, *Anabasis Alexandrum*

Plutarch, *Alexander, Demetrius, Eumenes, Philopoemen, Pyrrhus*

Polybius 4, 5, 8, 12, 15, 16, 18, 21-23, 27-33 (much is fragmentary)

Roman Republic

Appian *Civil Wars* Book 1, and Book 2 down through chapter 148.

Cicero, *Selected Letters*; Translated by P. G. Walsh [Oxford World's Classics](#) 2008

Cicero, in *Verrem I, Pro Balbo, Pro Archia, De imperio Cn. Pompeii, De lege agraria II*

Dionysius Halicarnassus 1-10

Livy 1-5, 6-10, 21-30, 31-40, 41-45 ([Oxford World's Classics](#) recommended)

Plutarch's *Cato, Aemilius Paulus, Tiberius & Gaius Gracchus, Marius, Sulla, and Pompey*. ([Oxford World's Classics](#) recommended)

Polybius (Shuckburgh's translation better than Paton, but Walbank's newest arrangement of the text is key)

Sallust, *Catilinarian Conspiracy* and *Jugurthine War*

Senatus consultum de Bacchanalibus

Roman Principate

Vergil: *Eclogues* 1 and 4; *Georgics* 4; *Aeneid* 1, 4, 6, and 8

Horace: *Epodes* 7, 9; *Odes* 1.2, 1.6, 1.12, 1.37, 2.7, 3.1-6, 4.4-5; *Satires*, 2.1 and 2.6; *Epistles*, 2.1; *Carmen Saeculare*

Propertius: 1.21, 1.22, 2.1, 2.7, 2.10, 3.4, 3.11, 4.6

Laudatio Turiae (so-called)

Cyrene Edicts

Ovid: *Metamorphoses* 1; *Ars Amatoria* 1; *Fasti*, 1-2; *Tristia*, 2

Res Gestae divi Augusti

Velleius Paterculus: 2.88-124

Senatus Consultum de Gnaeo Pisone Patre

Philo: *On the Embassy to Gaius*

Petronius: *Cena Trimalchionis*

Lucan: *Pharsalia* 1-2

Seneca: *De Ira*; *Consolatio ad Marciam*; [*Apocolocyntosis*]; *De Clementia*

Quintilian: *Institutio Oratoria* 10

Josephus: *The Jewish Wars*

Dio Chrysostom: *Orations* 1-4, 13, 31

Pliny the Younger: *Panegyricus* and *Epistles*, Book 10

Tacitus: *Agricola*, *Germania*, *Dialogus*, *Histories* 1; *Annals* 1-6 and 14

Suetonius: *Augustus*, *Tiberius*, *Caligula*, *Claudius*, *Nero*

Juvenal: *Satires* 1-4

Plutarch: *Moralia* 776a-779c (That a philosopher should converse with emperors); 779d-782f (To an uneducated ruler); 783B-797F (Should an old man engage in politics?); 798A-825F (Precepts of government)

Favorinus: *The Corinthian Oration* = Dio Chrysostom *Or.* 37; papyrus *On Exile*

Lucian: *Alexander the False Prophet*; *How to Write History*; *On the Syrian Goddess*; *The Dream, or, Life of Lucian*; *True History*, Book 1

Aelius Aristides: *Orations* 1 and 26

Apuleius: *Apologia*; *Metamorphoses* 1 and 10

Philostratus: *Life of Apollonius of Tyana*, Books 1 and 3; *Lives of the Sophists*, 2.546-566

Cassius Dio: 52-53, plus 38.36-46; 43.15-18; 55.14-22

Scriptores Historiae Augustae: *Hadrian*, *Marcus Aurelius*, *Commodus*, *Septimius Severus*