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To 10,000 B.C.E.	<p>PALEOLITHIC Culture (ca. 7 million–10,000 B.C.E.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>Australopithecus</i> uses stone tools and weapons</li> </ul> <p>ICE AGE (ca. 3 million–10,000 B.C.E.)</p> <p>NEANDERTHAL Culture (ca. 30,000–10,000 B.C.E.)</p> <p>Evolution of <i>Homo sapiens</i> (ca. 35,000 B.C.E.)</p> <p>Migrations to the Americas (ca. 12,000 B.C.E.)</p>		<p>“Venus” of Willendorf (ca. 25,000–20,000 B.C.E.)</p> <p>Lascaux Caves (ca. 15,000–10,000 B.C.E.)</p>
8000	<p>NEOLITHIC Culture: Farming communities (ca. 8000–4000 B.C.E.)</p>		
6000	<p>Pottery invented (ca. 5000 B.C.E.)</p>		
4000	<p>CARAL and SECHIN BAJO (ca. 3500–2600 B.C.E.)</p> <p>MESOPOTAMIAN Cultures (ca. 3500–330 B.C.E.)</p> <p>SUMERIAN City-States (ca. 3200–2350 B.C.E.)</p>	<p><i>Bhagavad-Gita</i> (ca. 5<sup>th</sup>–2<sup>nd</sup> centuries B.C.E.)</p>	<p>Stonehenge, Salisbury Plain (ca. 3000–1800 B.C.E.)</p> <p>The Standard of Ur (ca. 2700 B.C.E.)</p> <p>Ziggurat at Ur (ca. 2150–2050 B.C.E.)</p>

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	<p>EGYPTIAN Kingdoms (ca. 3100–500 B.C.E.)</p> <p>BRONZE AGE (ca. 3000–1200 B.C.E.)</p> <p>INDUS VALLEY Civilization (ca. 2700–1500 B.C.E.)</p> <p>SARGON'S Empire (ca. 2360–2000 B.C.E.)</p> <p>XIA Dynasty (ca. 2200–1766 B.C.E.)</p>		
2000	<p>BABYLONIAN Empire (ca. 2000–1600 B.C.E.)</p> <p>MINOAN Civilization (ca. 2000–1400 B.C.E.)</p> <p>Early HEBREW Civilization (ca. 2000 B.C.E.)</p> <p>HITTITE Empire (ca. 1800–1200 B.C.E.)</p> <p>SHANG Dynasty (ca. 1766–1027 B.C.E.)</p> <p>MYCENAEAN Civilization (ca. 1600–1200 B.C.E.)</p> <p>VEDIC Era (ca. 1500–322 B.C.E.)</p>	<p><i>The Babylonian Creation</i> (ca. 2000 B.C.E.)</p> <p>Hammurabi's Code (ca. 1750 B.C.E.)</p> <p><i>The Epic of Gilgamesh</i> (ca. 1600 B.C.E.)</p>	<p>Citadel at Mycenae (ca. 1500–1300 B.C.E.)</p>

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	<p>OLMECS (ca. 1300–400 B.C.E.)</p> <p>HEROIC Age (ca. 1200–750 B.C.E.)</p> <p>WESTERN ZHOU Dynasty (1027–771 B.C.E.)</p>		
1000	<p>First Olympic Games (776 B.C.E.)</p>	<p><i>Iliad</i> (ca. 850 B.C.E.)</p>	
750	<p>EASTERN ZHOU Dynasty (ca. 771–256 B.C.E.)</p> <p>ASSYRIAN Empire (ca. 750–600 B.C.E.)</p> <p>GREEK City-State and PERSIAN Wars (ca. 750–480 B.C.E.)</p> <p>CHALDEAN (Neo-Babylonian) Empire (ca. 600–540 B.C.E.)</p> <p>PERSIAN Empire (ca. 550–330 B.C.E.)</p> <p>ROMAN Republic (509–133 B.C.E.)</p>	<p>Sappho's poems (ca. 590 B.C.E.)</p> <p><i>Dao de jing</i> (ca. 550 B.C.E.)</p>	<p><i>Calf-Bearer</i> (ca. 575–550 B.C.E.)</p>
500	<p>PERSIAN WARS against Greece (ca. 499–480 B.C.E.)</p>	<p>Herodotus, <i>History of the Persian Wars</i> (440 B.C.E.)</p>	<p><i>Kritos Boy</i> (ca. 480 B.C.E.)</p>

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	GREEK GOLDEN Age (ca. 480–430 B.C.E.)	Sophocles, <i>Antigone</i> (ca. 440 B.C.E.)	<i>Myron, Discobolus (Discus Thrower)</i> (ca. 450 B.C.E.) Parthenon (448–432 B.C.E.)
	PELOPONNESIAN Wars (431–404 B.C.E.)	Thucydides, <i>Peloponnesian Wars</i> (ca. 410 B.C.E.)	Temple of Athena Nike, Acropolis (ca. 427–424 B.C.E.)
	WARRING STATES Period (ca. 403–221 B.C.E.)	Pindar, Odes (ca. 420 B.C.E.)	<i>Apollo Belvedere</i> (late 4 <sup>th</sup> century B.C.E.)
	HELLENISTIC Age (323–30 B.C.E.)	Plato, <i>Crito</i> (ca. 390 B.C.E.)	Theater at Epidaurus, Greece (ca. 350 B.C.E.)
	PUNIC Wars (264–141 B.C.E.)	Plato, “Allegory of the Cave” (ca. 375 B.C.E.)	
		Aristotle, <i>Nicomachean Ethics</i> (ca. 340 B.C.E.)	
		Aristotle, <i>Poetics</i> (ca. 340 B.C.E.)	
250	QIN Dynasty (221–206 B.C.E.)	Sima Qian, <i>Records of the Grand Historian</i> (ca. 100 B.C.E.)	Agesander, Polydorus, and Athenodorus of Rhodes, <i>Laocoön and His Sons</i> (2 <sup>nd</sup> to 1 <sup>st</sup> centuries B.C.E.)
	HAN Dynasty (206 B.C.E.–220 C.E.)	Vitruvius, <i>Principles of Symmetry</i> (ca. 46–30 B.C.E.)	Tomb of first emperor of Qin dynasty (221–206 B.C.E.)
	Collapse of the Roman Republic (133–30 B.C.E.)	Cicero, <i>On Duty</i> (ca. 44 B.C.E.)	Great Wall (begun 214 B.C.E.)
	Julius Caesar assassinated (44 B.C.E.)	Horace, Poems (ca. 30–15 B.C.E.)	Pythocritos of Rhodes, <i>Nike of Samothrace</i> (ca. 190 B.C.E.)

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	ROMAN Empire / PAX ROMANA (30 B.C.E.–180 C.E.)	Virgil, <i>Aeneid</i> (ca. 20 B.C.E.)	Pont du Gard (ca. 20–10 B.C.E.)
0		Seneca, <i>On Tranquility of the Mind</i> (ca. 40 C.E.)  Josephus, <i>Description of the Roman Army</i> (ca. 70 C.E.)	Colosseum, Rome (70–82 C.E.)
100 C.E.	Paper invented in China (105 C.E.)	Tacitus, <i>Dialogue of Oratory</i> (ca. 100–105 C.E.)  Juvenal, “Against the City of Rome” (ca. 110–127 C.E.)  Juvenal, “Against Women” (ca. 110–127 C.E.)	Trajan’s Victory Column (113 C.E.)  Pantheon (ca. 118–125 C.E.)  Equestrian statue of Marcus Aurelius (ca. 173 C.E.)