

World History I - Ancient Civilizations

Focuses on the civilizations surrounding the Mediterranean Sea from the time of Abraham to the birth of Christ. Brief histories of the Ancient Israelites, Phoenicians, Egyptians, Scythians, Persians, Greeks, and Romans are given, concluding with the conquest of the entire Mediterranean by Rome.

General World History

On The Shores of the Great Sea by M. B. Synge (chs. 1-53)

http://www.mainlesson.com/display.php?author=synge&book=greatsea&story=_contents

OR The Story of Mankind by Hendrik Van Loon (chs. 3-25)

<http://www.worldwideschool.org/library/books/youth/history/TheStoryofMankind/Chap0.html>

Supplemental History Readings

Egypt and Ancient Sumeria

Beacon Lights of History, Vol. 1 by John Lord (Old Pagan Civilizations)

<http://www.gutenberg.org/files/10477/10477-h/10477-h.htm>

The Code of Hammurabi

<http://www.yale.edu/lawweb/avalon/medieval/hammenu.htm>

Jewish

Our Young Folks Josephus by William Shepard

http://www.paideaclassics.org/index.php?sid=&cart_id=&show=download&book_id=11&type_id=1

Beacon Lights of History, Vol. 2 by John Lord (Jewish Heroes and Prophets)

<http://www.gutenberg.org/etext/10478>

Greek

The Story of the Greeks by Helene A. Guerber

http://www.mainlesson.com/display.php?author=guerber&book=greeks&story=_contents

The Story of the Persian War by Alfred J. Church

http://www.mainlesson.com/display.php?author=church&book=persian&story=_contents

OR History of the Peloponnesian War by Thucydides

<http://classics.mit.edu/Thucydides/pelopwar.mb.txt>

Stories from the East by Herodotus by Alfred J. Church

http://www.mainlesson.com/display.php?author=church&book=storiaseast&story=_contents

OR The Histories by Herodotus

<http://classics.mit.edu/Herodotus/history.mb.txt>

Roman

The Story of the Romans by Helene A. Guerber

http://www.mainlesson.com/display.php?author=guerber&book=romans&story=_contents

Stories from Livy by Alfred J. Church

http://www.mainlesson.com/display.php?author=church&book=livy&story=_contents

OR Livy, Books 1-5

<http://etext.virginia.edu/toc/modeng/public/Liv1His.html>

Julius Caesar's Commentary on the Gallic and Civil Wars

<http://etext.virginia.edu/toc/modeng/public/CaeComm.html>

The Old Roman World: the Grandeur and failure of it's Civilization by John Lord

<http://www.gutenberg.org/dirs/etext04/lrmnw10.txt>

Biography

The Boys and Girls Plutarch by John White (6-12)

<http://www.worldwideschool.org/library/books/hst/ancient/TheBoysandGirlsPlutarch/Chap1.html>

OR Old World Hero Stories by Eva March Tappan (Collective Biography)

http://www.mainlesson.com/display.php?author=tappan&book=oldworld&story=_contents

OR Beacon Lights of History, Vol. 4 by John Lord (Classical Biographies)

<http://www.gutenberg.org/files/10522/10522-h/10522-h.htm>

OR <http://www.mainlesson.com/display.php?author=abbott>

Cleopatra by Jacob Abbott

Julius Caesar by Jacob Abbott

Alexander the Great by Jacob Abbott

Literature

The Iliad for Boys and Girls by Alfred J. Church

http://www.mainlesson.com/display.php?author=church&book=iliad&story=_contents

OR The Iliad by Homer

<http://www.online-literature.com/homer/iliad/0/>

The Odyssey for Boys and Girls by Alfred J. Church

http://www.mainlesson.com/display.php?author=church&book=odyssey&story=_contents

OR The Odyssey by Homer

<http://www.online-literature.com/homer/odyssey/>

The Aeneid for Boys and Girls by Alfred J. Church

http://www.mainlesson.com/display.php?author=church&book=aeneid&story=_contents

OR The Aeneid by Virgil

<http://www.online-literature.com/virgil/aeneid/>

Study Guides from <http://www.sparknotes.com>

The Iliad

The Odyssey

The Aeneid

Drama

Stories from the Greek Tragedians by Alfred J. Church

http://www.mainlesson.com/display.php?author=church&book=tragedians&story=_contents

OR The Oresteia by Aeschylus

Agamemnon

<http://classics.mit.edu/Aeschylus/agamemnon.html>

The Libation Bearers

<http://classics.mit.edu/Aeschylus/choephoroi.html>

Eumenides

<http://classics.mit.edu/Aeschylus/eumendides.html>

Study Guides:

Read the background on Aeschylus (<http://www.theatrehistory.com/ancient/bates021.html>) as well as the summaries of the plays using Sparknotes.com and/or Bookrags.com.

Art

Beacon Lights of History, Vol. 3 by John Lord (Ancient Achievements)

<http://www.gutenberg.org/files/10484/10484-h/10484-h.htm>

Timeline of Art History, Metropolitan Museum of Art

<http://www.metmuseum.org/toah/splash.htm>

Timeline of World Events

Wk No.	Period Studied	Key Topics	On The Shores of the Great Sea	The Story of Mankind
1	6000-4000 B.C.	Creation, Adam and Eve, Cain and Abel		
2	4000-2500	Noah and the Flood		
3	3500-2750	Sumerians, Tower of Babel, Epic of Gilgamesh		Chapter 7
4	2700-2200	Early Egyptians, The Minoans		Chapter 6
5	2100-1914	Abraham, Jacob & Esau, Joseph	Chapter 4	
6	1792-1066	Hammurabi, Israelites in Slavery, China and the Shang Dynasty		
7	1525-1470	Moses and Exodus, Ark of the Covenant, Joshua		Chapter 9
8	1350-1237	Amenhotep, Nefertiti, King Tutankhamen, Rameses		
9	1250	Legend of the Trojan Horse, Ruth & Naomi, Gideon	Chapters 17-18	
10	1175-1113	Samson, Chou Dynasty, Samuel		
11	1100-1015	Saul, David and Solomon		
12	1000-859	Phoenicians, Divided Kingdom, Elijah		Chapter 8
13	840-800	Elisha, Joel, Homer		
14	799-760	India, Olympic Games, Jonah and & Amos		
15	753-722	Rome, Isaiah & Micah, Assyria		
16	700	Hosea, Sennacherib		
17	700-500	Athens & Sparta, Powers of Mesopotamia		
18	640-627	Josiah, Nahum, Jeremiah		
19	612-586	Nineveh, Babylon		

20	605-600	Nebuchadnezzar, Daniel, Aesop		
21	593-563	Ezekiel, Daniel's Friends,		
22	566-538	Temple of Diana, Cyrus the Great		
23	521	Darius I, Haggai and Zechariah		
24	509-484	The Roman Republic, The Battle of Marathon, Herodotus,	Chapter 25	
25	479-469	Xerxes I, Esther. 5 th Century Athens	Chapter 26- Chapter 31	
26	469-457	Socrates, Ezra	Chapter 32	
27	429	Malachi, Plato, Aristotle		
28	356-323	Alexander the Great, Archimedes	Chapter 37	Chapter 19
29		India and China		
30	218-143	Hannibal and the Punic Wars, The Maccabean Revolt	Chapter 45	
31	100-44	Spartacus, Julius Caesar	Chapter 50	
32	44-37	Cleopatra, Herod the Great		
33	31-26	The Battle of Actium, Augustus Caesar, John the Baptist	Chapter 54	
34	4-A.D. 29	Jesus Life, Death, Resurrection		Chapter 24
35	43	Romans Invade Britain		
36	100	The Roman Empire		Chapters 22-23
37	117-138	Hadrian's Wall		
38	200s	Christian Martyrs		
39	312	Constantinople makes Christianity the official religion of the empire		
40	323-410	Fall of Rome, burned by the Visigoths		Chapter 25

*Dates and Key topics courtesy of *Mystery of History, Volume I*