WORLD EVENTS

- Abraham (approximate) — 1400 B.C.
- Exodus (approximate) — 1200 B.C.
- Trojan War (approximate) — 1200 B.C.
- David on the throne of Israel (date approximate) — 1000 B.C.
- Lyric Age of Greece — 800 B.C. - 500 B.C.
- Traditional foundation of Rome — 753 B.C.
- Golden Age of Athens — 500 B.C. - 400 B.C.
- Alexander the Great — 336 B.C. - 322 B.C.
- Golden Age of Roman Literature — 150 B.C. - 17 A.D.
- End of Republic, Formation of Principate (Empire) — 27 B.C.
- C. Julius Caesar Octavianus (Augustus) — 63 B.C. - 14 A.D.
- Reign of Octavian (Augustus) — 27 B.C. - 14 A.D.
- Birth of Jesus — 3 B.C.
- Ministry, death, and resurrection of Jesus (dates approximate) — 27 A.D. - 30 A.D.
- Death of Julius Caesar — 44 B.C.
- Death of Paul — 96 A.D.
- Diocletian persecuting Christians, splits Roman Empire — 285 A.D.
- Constantine legalizes Christianity — 312 A.D.
- First Council of Nicaea establishes Trinitarian doctrine — 325 A.D.
- Vandals sack Rome — 410 A.D.
- "Official" fall of Roman Empire in the West — 476 A.D.
- Reign of Justinian in Byzantium — 527 A.D. - 565 A.D.
- Benedict founds first Benedictine monastery at Montecassino — 529 A.D.
- Probable date of events surrounding death of Roland — 778 A.D.
- Life of Charlemagne — 742 A.D. - 814 A.D.
- Rule of Charlemagne — 768 A.D. - 814 A.D.
- Charlemagne crowned Holy Roman Emperor, Christmas Day — 800 A.D.
- Renaissance of the Twelfth Century — 1100 A.D. - 1200 A.D.
- Black Death arrives in Europe — 1348 A.D.
- Fall of Byzantium to Turks — 1453 A.D.
- Columbus Discovers America — 1492 A.D.
- Pilgrims land at Plymouth Rock — 1620 A.D.
- American Independence — 1776 A.D.
- U.S. Civil War — 1861 A.D. - 1864 A.D.
- World War I — 1914 A.D. - 1918 A.D.
- World War II — 1939 A.D. - 1945 A.D.

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LITERARY EVENTS

- Homeric poems first recited (approximate) — 850 B.C.
- Aeschylus — 525 B.C. - 456 B.C.
- Sophocles — 496 B.C. - 406 B.C.
- Herodotus of Halicarnassus — 485 B.C. - 425 B.C.
- Euripides — 480 B.C. - 406 B.C.
- Socrates — 470 B.C. - 399 B.C.
- Thucydides — 460 B.C. - 400 B.C.
- Plato — 427 B.C. - 347 B.C.
- Aristotle — 384 B.C. - 322 B.C.
- Callimachus — 300 B.C. - 200 B.C.
- M. Tullius Cicero — 106 B.C. - 42 B.C.
- C. Julius Caesar — 100 B.C. - 44 B.C.
- T. Lucretius Carus (dates approximate) — 96 B.C. - 55 B.C.
- C. Valerius Catullus (dates approximate) — 84 B.C. - 54 B.C.
- Q. Horatius Flaccus (Horace) (birth date approximate) — 65 B.C. - 8 B.C.
- P. Vergilius Maro — 70 B.C. - 19 B.C.
- T. Livius (Livy) (dates approximate) — 59 B.C. - 17 A.D.
- P. Ovidius Naso (Ovid) (dates approximate) — 43 B.C. - 17 A.D.
- Augustine of Hippo — 354 A.D. - 430 A.D.
- Benedict of Nursia (birth date approximate) — 480 A.D. - 547 A.D.
- Anicius Manlius Severinus Boethius (birth date approximate) — 480 A.D. - 525 A.D.
- Hildebrandslied (first known German poem) (date approximate) — 800 A.D.
- Song of Roland (date approximate) — 1000 A.D.
- Career of Chrétien de Troyes (fl., dates approximate) — 1160 A.D. - 1175 A.D.
- Volsunga Saga written (Iceland) (dates approximate) — 1200 A.D. - 1270 A.D.
- Nibelungenlied written (date approximate) — 1200 A.D. - 1215 A.D.
- Thomas Aquinas — 1225 A.D. - 1274 A.D.
- Dante Alighieri — 1265 A.D. - 1321 A.D.
- Dante's Divine Comedy set — 1300 A.D.
- Francesco Petrarca (Petrarch) — 1304 A.D. - 1374 A.D.
- Western Literature to Dante first taught — 1996 A.D.

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