

Western Pre-Socratics

Heraclitus- Greek 535-475
Panta rhei

- "Everything flows"
- "No man ever steps in the same river twice"
- Doctrine of flux

Logos

- "Reason" or "Argument"
- "All entities come to be in accordance with the Logos"

Dike eris

- "Strife is justice"
- Oppositional process of dissolving and generating known as strife

"The Obscure" and "The Weeping Philosopher"

"The path up and down are one and the same"

- Theory about unity of opposites
- Bow and lyre

Native of Ephesus

"Follow the common"

"Character is fate"

"Lighting steers the universe"

Neitzshce said he was "eternally right" for "declaring that Being was an empty illusion" and embracing "becoming"

Subject of Heideggar and Eugen Fink's lecture

Fire was the origin of everything

Influenced the Stoics

Protagoras- Greek 490-420 BCE
Most influential of the Sophists

- Derided by Plato and Socrates for being mere rhetoricians

"Man is the measure of all things"

- Found many things to be unknowable
- What is true for one person is not for another

Could "make the worse case better"

- Focused on persuasiveness of an argument

Names a Socratic dialogue about whether virtue can be taught

Pythagoras of Samos- Greek 570-495 BCE
Metempsychosis

- "Transmigration of souls"
- Every soul is immortal and upon death enters a new body

Pythagorean Theorem

Pythagorean Tuning

- System of musical tuning where frequency rations are on intervals based on ration 3:2
- "Pure" perfect fifth
- Inspired by hearing blacksmiths work

Five Regular Solids

- "Platonic Solids"
- Tetrahedron, Cube, Octahedron, Dodecahedron, Icosahedron
- Only 5

Theory of Proportions

Sphericity of the Earth

Divided globe into five climatic zones

Musica univervalis

- Planets move according to mathematical equations
- Produce an inaudible symphony of music

Leader of Cult

- 300 members in Croton
- Valued mystical nature of numbers
- Wife Theano of Croton
- Vegetarian
 - Would not let followers eat beans
- Cited the 71 "golden verses"

"Number is the ruler of form and ideas"

"Reason is immortal, all else mortal"

Thales of Miletus- Greek 624-546 BCE
First philosopher

- Used rational thought to reach conclusions
- One of the seven sages of Greece
 - Based on Lives and Opinions of Eminent Philosophers by Diogenes Laertius

Used geometry

- First to calculate heights of pyramids and distance of ships from the shore
- Derived four corollaries to Thales' theorem
 - Right triangle in circle

Proposed that everything is made of water

- "Monism"- single substance

Founded Milesian School

Deduced that good weather conditions yielded good harvests, not offerings to the Gods

Predicted solar eclipse

Thought all things were "full of gods"

- Magnets had souls because they could move things

"Know thyself"

Xenophanes of Colophon- Greek 570-475 BCE
Poet

- Criticized and satirized Homer and Hesiod
- Criticized pantheon and veneration of athleticism

Hellenica

Cyropedia

- Biography of Cyrus the Great

Anabasis

- The retreat of the ten thousand

Ways and Means

Five key concepts about God

- Beyond mortality
- Does not resemble human form
- Cannot die or be born
- No divine hierarchy exists
- Does not intervene in human affairs

Two extremes

- Wet and dry
- Water and earth

Eastern Pre-Socratics

Siddhartha Gautama (Buddha) 6th-4th century
Detached India from Vedic religion through reason

Middle Way

- Split between sensual indulgence and aececticm

Nine Virtues

Four Noble Truths

- Dukkha- The truth of suffering
- Samudaya- The truth of the origin of suffering (desire)
- Nirodha- The truth of the ending of suffering
- Magga- The truth of the path to the ending of suffering

Fanon
Bayle
Marshall Mcluhan
Roman Jakobson
Saussure
Butler
Harris

- o Noble Eightfold Path
 - Right action
 - Right intention
 - Right livelihood
 - Right effort
 - Right concentration
 - Right speech
 - Right understanding
 - Right mindfulness
 - o "Dharma Wheel"
 - o Leads to Nirvana
 - "Not-being" or "Blowing out"

Tipitaka (Three Baskets)

- Collection of teachings 400 years after death

Emphasized the realization of the "not self" over the self

- Transient and insubstantial in the process of the world

"Peace comes from within. Do not seek it without"

Cut off hair to show release from desire

Confucius- Chinese 551-479 BCE

Five Classics

- Classic of Poetry
 - o Poems, folk songs, festal songs, hymns, and eulogies
- Book of Documents
 - o Documents and speeches from Zhou officials
- Book of Rites
 - o Describes rites, social forms, and court ceremonies
- I Ching
 - o Divination system
 - o Similar to geomancy and Ifa
- Spring and Autumn Annals
 - o Historical record of his native State of Lu

Analects

- "Do not do to others what you do not want done to yourself"
- "What you know you know, what you don't know, you don't know.
That is true wisdom"

Doctrine of the Mean

Great Learning

Junzi ("gentleman")

- De (virtue)
- Zhong (loyalty)
- Xiao (filial piety)
- Li (ritual propriety)
- Shu (reciprocity)

Laozi (Lao-Tzu)- Chinese 4th/6th Century BCE

Tao Te Ching (Dao De Jing)

- Wu ("Not-being")
- We wei ("Not-doing")
 - o Simplicity and Harmony
- Tao (Dao) ("The way")

Gongsun Long- 325-250 BC

School of Names

White Horse Dialogue

"On Pointing at Things"

Mencius- Chinese 372-289

"Second Sage" after Confucius

Four beginnings

- Child falling down well

People have right to topple gov that does not function properly

"Human nature is good"

- Opposed by Xun Zi

"The evil of men is that they like to be the teachers of others"

Soldiers who have fled fifty steps, laughing at those who fled a hundred

Mozi- Chinese 470-391 BCE

Jian ai

- Known as Mohism
- Universal love
- Treat all people equally
- "When one throws to me a peach, I return to him a plum"
 - o Golden Rule
- Opposed class system of Confucianism

Appears in Thousand Character Classic

- Saddened when seeing dyeing of white silk, because of its loss of purity

Zhuangzi (Zuang Zhou)- Chinese 4th century BCE

Zhuangzi

- Foundational text of Taoism
- Inner, Outer, and Mixed Chapters
- Emptiness
- Mind-fasting

"Zhuangzi Argument"

- Dream Argument

Possible contemporary/disciple of Confucius

Eleatics

Parmenides- Greek 515-445 BCE

"All is one"

- Change is impossible
- Even with solid reasoning, it proves our experiences can be contradictory

On Nature

- Proem
- The Way of Truth
- The Way of Appeacence/Opinion

One who makes the Third Man Argument in namesake Socratic dialogue

Founded the Eleatics

Zeno of Elea- Greek 490-430 BCE

Zeno's Paradoxes

- Example of a modern "supertask"
 - o Infinite number of tasks
 - o Like Thomson's Lamp
- Reductio ad absurdum (Reduce to the absurd)
- Created to support Parmenides
- Achilles and the tortoise
- The dichotomy (Race course paradox)
 - o Splitting distances into two
- The arrow (Fletcher's paradox)
 - o Arrow can't move at any one point, so it can't move at all
- The moving rows
- Paradox of Place
- Grain of millet
 - o One piece does not make a sound, but a thousand do. Therefore nothing becomes something

Modern Day "Quantum Zeno Effect"

Tried to be refuted by Archimedes

Aristotle- Greek 384- 322 BC

Organon

- Categories
- On Interpretation
- Prior Analytics
 - Syllogisms
- Posterior Analytics
- Topics
- On Sophistical Refutations

Physics

- Organized with Bekker numbers
- Potentiality and actuality
- Limits of the universe

Metaphysics

- Hylomorphism
 - Substance is matter and form
- Prime Mover / Unmoved Mover
- Telos

Four Causes

- Material
- Formal
- Efficient (Agent)
- Final

On the Parts of Animals

On the Soul (De Anima)

- Vegetative
- Sensitive
- Rational- distinguishing human feature

Nicomachean Ethics

- Eudaimonia
- Three types of friendship
 - Utility
 - Friend who you can use
 - Pleasure
 - Friend who you just like to have fun with
 - The pursuit of good
 - True friend
- Virtue is mean between two extremes
- Akrasia
 - Impediment to virtue, it is following your urge
- Theoria
 - Life of contemplation
- Written for his son or father

Politics

- Defines a citizen
- "Man is by nature a political animal"

Poetics

- Dramatic Unities
 - Ideal dramatic structure
 - Action, time, and place

On Generation and Corruption

- Added Aether to Earth Water Air Fire

Rhetoric

- Ethos, pathos, logos

"Men, in general desire"

"First Teacher" in arabic world

Taught Alexander the Great and Eudemus of Rhodes

School called Lyceum

Plato- Greek

Apology of Socrates

- Defense and trial
- Compares himself to a gadfly
- "Divine Signs" warns him against mistakes
- Charges of "corrupting the young" and "not believing in the gods in whom the city believes, but in other daimonia that are novel" to Athens
- Can't experience death so we should not fear it

Euthyphro

- Discusses definition of piety
 - Defines it as a species of the genus "justice"
 - Problem of Divine Command Theory
- Weeks before his trial

Phaedo

- Last hours of Socrates life
- Discusses immortality of the soul
 - Cyclical Argument
 - Theory of Recollection
 - Affinity Argument
 - Argument from Form of Life

Crito

- Dialogue between Socrates and Crito discussing justice and why Socrates did not escape jail

Symposium

- Men deliver an encomium- speech in praise of Eros
 - Eros as "great dominion"
 - "noble" and "common" forms
- Alcibades
 - Talks about attempted seduction of Socrates
- Aristophanes
- Agathon
- Metaxy
 - "Between"
- People originally had two bodies fused together, split by Zeus
- Pandemotic and Uranian
- Diotima
 - Talks about climbing metaphorical ladder from appreciating individual to universal beauty

Republic

- Allegory of the Cave
- Castes of society
 - Productive (Workers) (Appetite)
 - Protective (Warriors and Guardians) (Spirit)
 - Governing (Rulers of Philosopher Kings) (Reason)
- "Philosopher King"
 - Ruler that has love of knowledge, as well as intelligence and willingness to live a simple life
- Five Regimes
 - Aristocracy
 - Timocracy
 - Oligarchy
 - Democracy
 - Tyranny
- Ring of Gyges
 - Proposed by Glaucon, Plato's brother
 - Turns owner invisible at will
 - Questions morality about not having to worry about being caught
- Myth of Er
 - Er dies in battle, but comes back to life
 - Moral people rewarded, and immoral suffer
 - Myth survives because Er did not drink waters of Lethe (River of Forgetfulness)
 - The Spindle of Necessity

- Cosmos are kept spinning by the fates
- Myth of the Metals
- Banned poets

Timaeus

- Pictured in School of Athens
- Locates the parts of the soul
 - Reason in the head
 - Spirit in the top third of torso
 - Appetite in middle third of torso

Critias

- Dialogue about Atlantis

Gorgias

- Socrates debates with sophists about the definition of rhetoric
- Techne vs knack
 - Philosophy is an art, rhetoric is a skill

Menexenus

- Lengthy funeral oration
- Socrates claims to have learned from Aspasia

Meno

- Tries to define virtue
- Knowledge as recollection (anamnesis)
 - Geometric puzzle solve by one of Meno's slaves
- Socrates tells Meno that he makes many out of one, like breaking a plate
- Defines knowledge as a justified true belief
- Anytus

Seventh Letter

- "Every serious man in dealing with really serious subjects carefully avoids writing"

Theory of Forms

- Non-physical forms (ideas) represent the most accurate reality
- Third Man Argument is a criticism of this
- Nessityhood- Applied to describe universals

Theaetetus

- Compates Heraclitus to Protagoras

Ion

- Proposed banning works of Homer

"the good, and not merely what their father's had"

Socrates- Greek 490-399 BCE

Socratic Problem

- Can't study because there are no first hand accounts

Socratic Method (elenchus)

Students Plato and Xenophon

- Referred to as the "gadfly" by Plato because he annoys and spurs Athens into action

Death of Socrates

- For corrupting the minds of the youth of Athens, athiesm, and belief in false idols
- Hemlock
- Suggested a wage and free dinners from government
- Accused by Anytus and Meletus
- "The unexamined life is not worth living and ethical virtue is the only thing that matters"
- "Crito, we owe a cock to Asclepius, Pay it and do not neglect it"

Socratic Paradoxes

- "Virtue is knowledge"
- "I know that I know nothing"

Orators

Isocrates- Greek 436-338 BC

One of ten Attic orators

Against the Sophists

Quintilian- Roman 35-100

Institutes of Oratory

- Praised by Vespasian
- Canons of rhetoric
 - Inventio
 - Dispositio
 - Elocutio / pronuntiatio
 - Memoria
 - Actio

Atomists

Democritus- Greek 460-371 BCE and Leucippus- Greek 5th century

Atomic hypothesis (Atomism)

- Atoms are indivisible and indestructible
 - "Atomos" uncuttable
- Between them are empty space
- Have always and always will be in motion
- Infinite number and kinds

First to view aesthetics as a branch of philosophy

"Man is a microcosm of the universe"

Epicureanism

Epicurus- Greek 341-270 BC

On Nature

Atraxia

- Peace and freedom from fear

Aponia

- Absence of pain

Differed from Democritus due to atomic swerve (clinamen)

- Atoms do not follow straight lines
- Explained free will

School was cllaed "The Garden"

- Admitted women and slaves

Letters to Menoeceus, Pythocles, Herodotus

Principle Doctrines

Vatican Sayings

Epicurean paradox

- God is willing/unwilling or able/unable to take away evil
- First mention of problem of evil

No need to fear death

"I was not; I was; I am not; I do not care"

Beliefs often equated to hedonism

Lucretius- Roman 99-55 BC

On the Nature of Things (De rerum natura)

- Poem that tries to explain Epicureanism

Invented three-age-system

- Formalized by CJ Thomson

Cynics

Antisthenes- Greek 445-365 BCE
Pupil of Socrates
Advocated an ascetic life lived in accordance with virtue

Diogenes of Sinope- Greek 412-323 BCE
Exiled for debasement of currency
First to use "cosmopolitan"

- Claimed he was "a citizen of the world"

Carried a lamp during the day to look for an honest man
Dog-like ("Cynic")

- Became Antisthenes' "faithful hound", disdained Plato
- Peed, defecated, and masturbated in public
- Lived in tub, only had bowl

Askesis

- Self reliance
- Learned from watching a mouse

Told Alexander the Great to "get out of his sunlight"
Cast over wall with stick before death
Defeathered a chicken and claimed "Behold, Plato's man"
Sold as a slave after captured by pirates

Stoics

Chrysippus- Greek 279-206
Pneuma

- Breath of life

Second Founder of Stoicism

Cleanthes- Greek 330-230
Hymn to Zeus

Epictetus- Greek 55-135
Discourses

- Doctrine of the three topics
 - Desire
 - Choice
 - Assent
- Prohairesis
 - Our choice that differentiates us from animals
 - "some things are in our control and some are not"
- Aprohairesis
- Live life like at a dinner table
- Written down by pupil Arrian

Enchiridion

- Written down by pupil Arrian

Slave

Philo of Alexandria- Greek 20BCE-50CE
Used allegory to harmonize Jewish scripture with Greek philosophy
Embassy to Gaius

- Represented Alexandrian Jews in a delegation to Caligula

Against Flaccus

- Details Jewish discrimination in Egypt by prefect Flaccus

Described in Josephus's Antiquities of the Jews
Only God's existence is certain

Marcus Aurelius- Roman 121-180AD
Meditations

- 12 books that chronicle his life
- Written at base in Sirmium while on campaign in Pannonia
- Thanks teacher Rusticus for giving him Epictetus's Discourses
- "providence or atoms"
- "erase impressions"

Ruled with brother Lucius Verus and son Commodus
"The Philosopher"
Last of Five Good Emperors
Death ended Pax Romana
Defeated Parthian Empire
Lucius brought home "Antonine Plague" or "Plague of Galen"

Marcus Tullius Cicero- Roman 106-43 BCE
Philippics

- Series of 14 speeches against Mark Antony

Consul of 63 BC
Cataline Orations

- Rhetoric that led to the execution of the second Cataline conspirators

Exiled for executing conspirators and disagreeing with Clodius
Horensius

- Lost work that argues oratory is the greatest art, and philosophy brings happiness

Hands and head were nailed to the Rostra
Argued for the Manilian Laws
Indicted the corrupt governor of Sicily, Gaius Verres

Seneca the Younger- Roman 4BC-65AD
Naturales Quaestiones

- Looks at natural philosophy (physical world)

Letters to Lucilius (Moral Epistles)

- 124 letters
- "On the supreme good"
- "On the happy life"
- Discussed ethics, like that of gladiator fights, among other things
- "We do not learn for school, but for life"
- Non scholae sed vitae discimus

De Clementia (On Clemency)

- Written to Nero on the need for clemency in an emperor

Apocolocyntosis

- Satire on Claudius, who turned him into a pumpkin

On Anger
On Mercy
"On Tranquility"

- Addressed to friend Serenus about tedium

Forced to commit suicide following Pisonian conspiracy to kill Nero
Plays Medea and Thyestes
Tutored Nero

Zeno of Citium- Hellenistic- 334-363 BCE
Founder of Stoicism

- Major school of philosophy during Hellenistic
- Based on Heraclitus
- Virtue in accordance with Nature

Logic
Physics

- Universe=God (pantheism)

Ethics

Skeptics

Sextus Empiricus- 160-210
Outlines of Pyrrhonism

- Ten Modes of Pyrrhonism
- Suspension of belief or judgement that precedes ataraxia

Against the Mathematicians

- First 6 books called Against the Professors
 - Grammarians
 - Rhetoricians
 - Geometers
 - Arithmeticians
 - Astrologers
 - Musicians

Differs from Academic Skeptics because admits knowledge can be known

Neoplatonists

Boethius- Roman 477-524
Consolation of Philosophy

- Dialogue between him and Lady Philosophy
 - Wears gown that connects letter pi to theta
- Written while under house arrest awaiting execution in Theodoric
- When men give into wickedness they "sink to the level of being an animal"
- Why evil men prosper and good men fall into ruin
 - "unchanging sport" is making "the lowest turn top, the highest to the bottom"
 - Wheel of fortune

Order of Speaking

- Written words signify spoken words, which signify thoughts, which denote things

On Topical Differences

God is the center of circle, and has eternal knowledge

Hypatia- Alexandrian 370-415
Wrote commentary on Arithmetica
Wrote commentary on Apollonius of Perga's treatise on conic sections
Edited Ptolemy's Almagest
Murdered by a mob of Christians

Plotinus- Greek 204-270
Enneads

- Edited by Porphyry
- Hypostasis
 - The Soul
 - The Intellect (nous)
 - The "One"
 - "Henosis"- union with the One

Condemned during Protestant Reformation for distorting the word of Plato, but E. R. Dodds argued it was its intellectual culmination

Inspired mystics of many religions

Porphyry- Roman 234-305
Enneads

- Collection of work from his teacher Plotinus

Isagoge

- Introduction to logic and philosophy
- Tree of Porphyry
 - Classification of genera and species

Philosophy from Oracles

Against the Christians

- Claimed prophecy of Daniel was a sham

Taught Iamblichus

Introduced the problem of universals

Atomon

- "individual"
- Translated by Boethius

Proclus- Greek 412-185
Elements of Theology

- 211 Propositions, each followed by proof
- Existence of One, to the descent of individual souls into the material world

Platonic Theology

"The Successor"

Set forth one of the most elaborate and fully developed system of Neoplatonism

Christians

Saint Augustine of Hippo-

On Christian Doctrine

- Four books and prologue addresses critics
- How to interpret scriptures
- Claims time is a distention of the mind
- God created word in an instant
- Things and signs

Confessions

- Thirteen book autobiography about conversion to Christianity
- Book 2 laments the stealing of pears
- Book 3- describes studying Cicero and Manichaeism
- Book 6- "slave of lust"

The City of God

- Written in response to Visigoth sack of Rome
- Earthly / Worldly City (City of Man) vs City of God
- Conflict between free will and divine omniscience
- Attacks pagan worship in first half
- Original Sin
- Existence of evil
- Contributions to just war theory
 - Putting wicked to death is not violation of fifth amendment
- Good and bad men suffer in good and bad ways
- Model for Discourse on Universal History
- "If I am deceived, I am"

On the Trinity

On Free Choice of the Will

Enchiridion

On the Harmony of the Evangelists

- Assumes Matthew was the first book

Contra Academicos (Against the Skeptics)

- Objection from Error
- Error of Non-Assent
 - Travelers and Adulterer

Filioque

- Holy Spirit comes from father and son

Converted from Manichaeism to Neoplatonism to Christianity

- Influenced by mother Monica
- Commanded to “take up and read” by child

Doctor of the Church
Critiques in Wittgenstein’s Philosophical Investigations

- Use of utterances

Contemplated Holy Trinity while running into boy on the beach
trying to empty the ocean into a pool by using a seashell
Patron saint of brewers, printers, theologians, and sore eyes

Swedenborg- Swedish 1688-1772
Heaven and Hell

- Believed he could travel between these places
- Believed Last Judgement occurred in 1757

True Christian Religion
The Heavenly Doctrine
Journal of Dreams
Heavenly Arcana

- Attempt to prove "correspondence" between spiritual and physical

Founder of the Church of New Jerusalem

- Followed by Johnny Appleseed and transcendentalists

God told him "Do not eat too much!"

Scholastics

Peter Abelard- French 1079-1142
Love affair with Heloise d’Argenteuil
Sic et Non (Yes and No)

- List of 158 quotations from Christian authorities
- And their negations, showing apparent contradictions
- Probably used to practice logic
- Students should not “rashly pass judgement” on “the writing or the saints”

Ethics or Know Yourself
History of My Calamities

- Describes how thieves were hired to castrate him

Doctrine of Limbo

- Specifically Limbo of Infants

Some Gloseses on Porphyry

Albertus Magnus- German Catholic 1193-1280
Three volume commentary on Books of the Sentences of Peter Lombard
On the Causes of the Properties of Elements
Book of Causes and Precession of the Universe
Refuted Averroes psychological theories
Dominican friar
First medieval commentary on the Organon
Doctor universalis
Taught Thomas Aquinas

St. Anselm- Benedictine 1033-1109
Monologion
Proslogion

- Original title was "faith seeking understanding"
- Originator of ontological argument
 - God existing would be better than him not existing, God is the greatest possible thing, he must exist
 - Begging the question
- Divine attributes
 - Percipient, omnipotent, merciful, impassible
- Potentia vs impotentia
 - He can't do things like lying, but that is more of powerlessness than power
- Gaunilo’s reply predated many attacks on his ontological argument
 - Perfect lost island could also exist by this logic

Cur Deus Homo (Why God Became Man)

- Dialogue between Anselm and Boso, one of his students
- Rational argument for the necessity of atonement (Satisfaction theory of atonement)

Works pertaining to the study of Sacred Scripture

- De Veritate (On Truth)
- De Libertate Arbitrii (On the Freedom of Choice)
- De Casu Diaboli (On the Devil's Fall)

Founder of Scholasticism
Defended church amid Investiture Controversy

St. Thomas Aquinas- Italian 1225-1274
Summa Theologiae

- "Five Ways" (quinque viae)
 - Argument from Motion
 - Argument from Causation
 - Argument from Contingency
 - Argument from Degrees
 - Teleological argument
- 512 questions
- "Sed contra" (on the contrary)
- “Respondeo” (respond)
- Just war theory
- Called Averroes the "commentator"
- Called Aristotle the “philosopher”
- Doctrine of Double Effect
 - Allowed to cause harm if the end goal is good
- Compared his work to straw after having a mystical vision (probably of heaven)

Summa contra Gentiles

- More of a defense of the doctrine rather than an explanation

Disputed Questions
Christian Ethics

- Cardinal virtues
 - Prudence, temperance, justice, fortitude
- Theological virtues
 - Faith, hope, charity
 - Unites man to God

Philosophical commentaries

- 11 on Aristotle
- 2 on Boethius
- 2 on Proclus

"Doctor Angelicus" and "Doctor Communis"

Natural Theology

- Provides arguments for existence of God based on reason

Thomism

- Reason is found in God

William of Ockham- English Franciscan 1287-1347
Occam’s Razor

- Entities should not be multiplied without necessity

Nominalism

- Universals don't exist

Voluntarist

- Believed that if God wanted to, he could have become incarnate as donkey or ox

Summa Logicae (sum of logic)

- 8 of Aristotle’s 10 categories could be reduced to two
 - Substance and quality
- Property laws did not exist in the Garden of Eden

Dons Scotus- Scottish 1266-1308
Haecceity

- "Thisness"

Univocity of being

- Refuted Aquinas
- God is good = man is good

Argued for Immaculate Conception of Mary
Doctor Subtilis

Francisco Suarez- Spanish 1548-1617
Metaphysical Disputations

- Beings of reason

School of Salamanca

Aristotelianism

Averroes- Andalusian 1126-1198
Commentaries on Aristotle

- Short, middle, and long
- In response to Abu Yaqub Yusuf’s complaints about difficulty of understanding originals

Islamic works

- Expositions of the Methods of the Proof
- The Decisive Treaties
- Incoherence of the Incoherence
- Unity of the Intellect
 - All humans share the same intellect

"The Commentator"

Opposed Neoplatonism way of Al-Farabi and Avicenna
Critiqued by Thomas Aquinas
Opponent of Asharites and Sufis
Siger of Brabant was his student

- School of Monospychist
- Double truth
 - Philosophy and religion could arrive at contradictions that do not detriment either

Jean Buridan- French 1300-1358
Buridan's Ass
Impetus

- Planted seeds for copernican revolution and theory of inertia

Islamic Golden Age

Al Farabi- Persian 872-950
The Virtuous City

- Islamized version of Plato’s republic

The Book of Letters
"The Second Teacher"

Al-Ghazali- Persian 1058-1111
The Revival of the Religious Sciences

- “The Marvels of the Heart”
 - Heart is a like a mirror that can reflect the light of God

Incoherence of the Philosophers

- Avicenna and Al-Farabi criticized
- 20 point
- Occasionalism
 - God is the cause of all events
 - When fire and cotton are placed together, it is God that is burning the cotton, not the fire

The Alchemy of Happiness
The Delivery from Error

- God cast into his breast the key to most knowledge

Avicenna- Persian 980-1037
The Book of Healing

- Philosophical and scientific encyclopedia
- Floating Man Argument
 - If somebody was suspended in space with sense perception data, they would still affirm their existence
 - Would affirm existence if born blind and not able to touch anything
- Also called The Cure to cure ignorance

The Canon of Medicine

- Medical encyclopedia

Remarks and Admonitions

- Proof of the Truthful
 - "Necessary existent"- something which cannot not exist
 - Used to prove God

Essence can exist in the external world, in the mind, or have no mode at all

Maimonides- Spanish
Mishneh Torah

- Jewish
- Explained the 613 mitzvot
 - Moses’s laws

Guide for the Perplexed

- Addressed to the confused Rabbi Joseph
- Inspired by Saadia Gaon
- Examines eternity and the difference between the philosopher and the prophet
- God can only be described by what he is not
 - Negative theology
- "hearing and seeing" God is metaphorical and intellectual
- Analyzes Jacob's dream and Ezekiel's chariot
 - Merkavah, the throne of God that Ezekiel saw
- Critiqued in Gerso's The Wars of the Lord

Commentary on the Mishnah
"The Great Eagle"

Llullism

Ramon Llull- Spanish 1232-1316
Ars Magna

- Concentric circles that generate arguments to convert nonbelievers

Ars Generalis Ultima
Computational logic influenced Leibniz
Election theory

The Age of Science

Francis Bacon- English 1561-1626
Novum Organum (New Instrument)

- Baconian / Scientific Method

- Idols of the tribe, cave, market, theater
- Ant, Spider, Bee analogy
- "Knowledge is power"
- Methods of agreement and difference

The Advancement of Learning

New Atlantis

- Salomon's House- influenced modern research institutions
- Bensalem- utopian island
- Pillar of light reveals location of a bible to the people of Renfusa

Instauratio magna

- Ship sailing through two pillars

Certain Considerations Touching the Better Pacification and Edification of the Church of England

- "Deep knowledge of philosophy brings the mind around to religion"

Helped Popper solve the "problem of induction"

Lord Chancellor under James I

Desiderius Erasmus- Dutch 1466-1536

In Praise of Folly

- Refuting Martin Luther
- Argued for free will
- Plutus and freshness

Julius Exclusus

- Pope Julius II trying to convince Saint Peter to let him into heaven
- Genius, his guardian angel
- Tries to unlock gates with secret money chest key

Sileni Alcibiadis

- Essay on the need for Church reform
- Argues beauty on the inside is more important than outside

Handbook of a Christian Knight

On Civility in Children

Copia: Foundations of the Abundant Style

- Variations on “your letters please me greatly”

Friend of Thomas More

"The crowning glory of the Christian humanists"

Coined term Pandora’s Box after mistranslation

Hugo Grotius- Dutch 1583-1645

Declared the intellectual father of the first peace treaty by Hedley Bull

Proponent of natural law

Escaped to france in a chest of books

Thomas Hobbes- English 1588-1679

Leviathan

- "solitary, poor, nasty, brutish, and short"- inspired by English Civil War
- Of Man
 - Social Contract- or else a "war of every man, against every man"
- "Summum malum"- Greatest Evil (the fear of death)
- "Summum bonum" - does not exist
- Begins by talking about senses
- Three cause argument
 - Competition
 - Diffident greed
 - Glory-seeking
- Of Commonwealth
 - Monarchy is greatest form of gov
 - Ruler should be able to chose religion of subject
- Blames scripture for creating a "kingdom of darkness"
- Man who is too stupid to memorize names of numbers
 - Can observe a clock but not tell what time it striking
- War consists of a disposition towards fighting followed by actual fighting
 - Just like weather consists of an inclination to rain followed by rain

Elements of Law

- Tries to solve conflict between Charles I and Parliament

De Cive, De Homine, and De Corpore

Behemoth

- History of English Civil Wars
- Fled to Paris

Tutored Charles II

Niccolo Machiavelli- Italian 1469-1527

The Prince

- Man should be like a lion and a fox
 - To avoid both snares and wolves
- Called for patrons to unite and free Italy from barbarians
- Advises beating and striking down fortune like a woman
- Praised Hannibal's sternness
- Dismissed Scipio's forbearance
- Mocked a genre intending to "mirror" the Prince
- Dedicated to Lorenzo de Medici
- Praises Cesare Borgia
- "mixed principalities" are more difficult to maintain than "hereditary principalities"

Discourses on Livy

Gives name to Dark Triad personality

The Mandrake

- Play

Thomas More- English 1418-1535

Utopia

- Traveler Raphael Hythlodæus
- Christian Communism

History of King Richard III

A Treatise on Passion (Of Christ)

A Treatise to Receive the Blessed Body (Holy Body Treaty)

De Tristitia Christi (The Agony of Christ)

Knighted by Henry VIII, Lord Chancellor

Opposed Protestant Reformation

Confutation of Tyndale's Answer

Martyred by Pope Pius XI

Executed for not recognizing King's authority over Church of England

- Not recognizing annulment to Catharine of Aragon
- "I die the King's good servant, but God's first"

Protagonist of Richard Bolt's A Man for All Seasons

Antagonist of Hilary Mantel's Wolf Hill- prospective of Thomas Cromwell

Controversy with French poet Germain de Brie, led to Brie's Antimorus

Mchel de Montaigne- French 1533-1592

- Essais (Essays)
 - 107 essays, divided into A B C based on time period
 - "I am myself the matter of this book"
 - Essays = "Attempts"
 - Apology for Raymond Sebond
 - Adopts Pyrrhonism
 - "What do I know?"
 - Of Cannibals
 - Tupinamba people of Brazil
 - Pyrrhus seeing an army that has "nothing of barbarism in it"
 - "More barbaric to eat a man alive than to eat him dead"
 - Of Vanity
 - "that to study philosophy is to learn to die"

Mayor of Bordeaux

Translated Natural Theology

Lorenzo Valla- Italian 1407-1457

Donation of Constantine was a forgery

- Gave western roman empire to Pope Sylvester I

Elegantiea linguae Latinae

The Reploughing of Dialectic

- Refuted grammas or Priscian, Donatus, and Servius
- Refuted scholasticism of Aristotle

Rationalists

Pierre Bayle- French 1647-1706

Historical and Critical Dictionary

- Theodicy attempted to refute this work
- "Rorarius" attacked theory of monads
- Published after long feud with Pierre Juriea
- Published Eclairissements of clarifications
- "David" accused of using scripture to introduce obscenities

Huguenot

Rene Descartes- French 1596-1650

Discourse on Knowledge

- Cogito ergo sum "I think therefore I am"
- Rationalism and Free Will

Meditations on First Philosophy

- Discards all beliefs- Cartesian Skepticism/Method of Doubt
- Evil Demon
- Dream Argument
- Wax Argument
- Trademark Argument (Catholic and Theist)
- Cartesian Dualism- Mind=Thinking Body=Unthinking
- Three Types of Ideas- Innate, Adventitious, and Facitious
- Natural Light in each person
- Intended to be read in six days
- Dedicated to the Sorbonne

Principles of Philosophy

- Laws of Physics- gave Newton first law
- Modes- way in which substances exist
- Things can be “clear and distinct”

La Geometric

- Reduced to arithmetic and algebra

Passions of the Soul

- Wonder, love, hatred, desire, joy, sadness
- Animal Spirits in Pineal Gland
 - Led to Reflex Theory

Treatise on Man

The World

- Heliocentric world
- Rescinded it after hearing Galileo

Corresponded with Princess Elisabeth of Bohemia

2+3=5

- Whether awake or asleep

Louis de La Forge- French 1632-1666

Treatise on the Human Mind

- Occasionalism
- Cartesianism

Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz- German 1646-1716

Discourse on Metaphysics

Monadology

- Simple Substances/Monads ("Windowless")
- Substantial form of being

New Essays on Human Understanding

- Commentary on Locke
 - And primary / secondary qualities
- Represented himself as Theophilus
- Locke as Philathe

The Principles

- Identity/Contradiction
- Identity of Indiscernibles/Leibniz’s Law
- Principle of Sufficient Reason
- Pre-established Harmony- Solves Mind-Body Problem
- Law of Continuity
- Optimism
- Plentitude

Theodicy

- Optimal among all possible worlds
- "Why is there something rather than nothing"
- Principle of plentitude
- Pre-established harmony

Symbolic Thought

- Real Characters
- Calculus Ratiocinator
- Characteristica Universalis- Alphabet of Human Thought

Formal Logic- Conjunction, Disjunction, Negation, Identity, Set Inclusion, Empty Set

Correspondence with Samuel Clarke

Baruch Spinoza- Dutch 1632-1677

Ethics

- "Of Human Bondage"
- Pantheism- God not personal or anthropomorphic
- God=Nature
- Neutral Monism- solves Mind-Body Problem
- Critic of organized religion
- Affect (similar to emotions)- joy, sorrow/pain, desire/appetite
- Natura naturas (nature naturing) / natura naturata (nature natured)
- Conatus
 - Greatest virtue is love for knowledge of the universe and nature
 - Each thing's striving to persist / persevere in its own being
- Defines "mode" and "attribute" in opening definitions
- Axioms and propositions in Euclid-inspired format
- Imagination is based on inadequate ideas and reason is based on adequate ones
- Parallelism
 - The order and connection of ideas is the same as the order and connection of things
- Emotion is "active" if it is the sole cause of a "modification of the body"

Treatise on the Improvement of Understanding

- God and Evil are relative
- Treatise on the Emendation of the Intellect
- Tracatus Theologico Politicus
- Torah written by Ezra, not Moses

Hebrew and Jew

Baruch=Blessed

Opponent of Descartes

Attributes/Substances/Modes of Perception

3 Types of Knowledge

1. Sensory
2. Reason
3. Intuitive

Sub Specie aeternitatis "Under the Aspect of Eternity" ("Of Human Freedom")

Empiricists

David Hume- Scottish 1711-1776

A Treatise on Human Nature

- "Science of Man"
- Problem of Induction
 - Our thoughts on cause and effect cannot be justified by reason
 - Sun rising, black swan, adam looking at water
- Missing shade of blue
 - Can you visualize a shade you have never seen?
- Bundle Theory of Self
- Is-ought problem / Hume's Law / Hume's Guillotine
 - Discussed in Max Black article
- Constant conjunction
 - Basically "Correlation is not causation"
- Impressions and ideas
 - Copy principle
- “Fell stillborn from the press”

An Enquiry Concerning Human Understanding

- Hume's Fork
 - Relation of Ideas vs Matters of Fact
 - Statements about ideas are analytic, necessary, and knowable a priori
 - Statements about the world are synthetic, contingent, and knowable a posteirori
- "Of Miracles"
 - Did not believe in them
- "Of the Reason of Animals"
- “Of Probability”
- “Of the Origin of Ideas”

An Enquiry Concerning the Principles of Morals

Four Dissertations

1. The Natural History of Religion
2. Of the Passions
3. Of Tragedy
4. Of the Standard of Taste

Dialogues Concerning Natural Religion

- Cleanthes, Demea, and Philo debate God's existence
- Philo proposes "Stupid Mechanic" that could have botched previous attempts to create world
- Awoke Kant from his dogmatic slumber
- Problem of evil discussion
 - Architect who built a house of "noise, confusion, fatigue, and darkness"

The History of England

- 6 volumes

Own Theory of Causation

- Critical phase->Constructive Phase->Belief

Quasi-realist

Attacked by Thomas Reid

"Reason is the slave of passion"

John Locke- English 1632-1704

Essay Concerning Human Understanding

- Primary/Secondary qualities
 - Primary- figure, solidity, motion, rest
 - Secondary- color, sound, taste
 - Uses examples of a ball and scent of a rose
- Tabula Rasa
 - "Blank slate" that had no innate ideas
- Tortiose supporting elephant supporting the earth

Two Treatises of Government

- First treatise attacks Robert Folmer's Patriarcha, which defended absolute power
- Second treatise was on natural rights and contract theory
 - "Life, liberty, and property"

Some Thoughts Concerning Education

- Children love being treated as "rational creatures"
- Foolish to let a maid convince children of goblins and sprites

Scientific Essentialism

Established the method of introspection

Helped with social contract

Molineux's Problem

- Sense vs Sight with blind man feeling shapes

Countered Descartes Dream Argument by saying you can't feel pain while dreaming

Idealists

George Berkeley (Bishop Berkeley) Irish 1685-1753 Also an empiricist

An Essay Towards a New Theory of Vision

- Discussed limitations of vision
- Spatial depth is invisible

A Treatise Concerning the Principles of Human Knowledge

- Rewritten as Three Dialogues between Hylas and Philonous
- Berkeley represented by Philonous
- Opponents (Locke) represented by Hylas
- Criticized distinction between primary and secondary qualities
 - Mite observing its own foot
 - Wheat is small to us, but large to mite
- Uses an example of an oar in water
- Square tower might appear round form a distance
- Moon is not "plain lucid surface, about a foot in diameter"
- Likeness Principle
 - Resemblance
- Anti-Abstractionism

De Motu (On Motion)

- Argues against Newton
- Action and reaction are only mathematical hypotheses

- Alciphron (The Minute Philosopher)
- Anti-catholic dialogue against free-thinkers
 - Like Bernard Mandeville

The Analyst (A Discourse addressed to an infidel mathematician)

- Critique of the foundations of calculus
- A satire
- "And what are these Fluxions?" "Ghosts of departed quantities"

A Discourse on Passive Obedience

- One of first statements of rule utilitarianism

Siris

- Final work that advocates use of tar water

Immaterialism or Subjective Idealism

Master Argument

- Cannot perceive mind independent objects
- Impossible to conceive an unconceivable object
- "To be is to be perceived"
- "There's no one about in the quad"

Berkeley's Razor- coined by Karl Popper

Johann Gottlieb Fichte- German 1762-1814

Foundations of Natural Right

Foundations of the Science of Knowledge

Attempt at a Critique of All Revelation

Wissenschaftslehre

- Doctrine of Scientific Knowledge

The Vocation of Man

- Advocates determinism
- I posits itself

Addresses to the German Nation

- Early proponent of German nationalism

Originator of thesis-antithesis-synthesis

Dismissed from University of Jena for being accused of atheism

Georg Hegel- German 1770-1831

The Phenomenology of Spirit

- Master-slave dialectic (Lordship and Bondage)- two self-conscious beings "struggle to the death" to gain recognition of that fact, but fail
- Hegelian dialectic
- Absolute Idealism
- Ethical Life
- Aufhebung (sublation)- thesis and antithesis interacting
- Death of God Theology
- "Exposition of the coming to be of knowledge"
- Finishing touches while Napoleon engaged Prussian troops at the Battle of Jena
- Preface
 - "Pure looking at" (Zueshen)
- Criticized by Schopenhauer as vacuous verbiage

Science of Logic (Greater Logic)

- Essence stands between Being and Notion

Encyclopedia of the Philosophical Sciences (Lesser Logic)

Elements of the Philosophy of Right

- Idea of Respecting others as "non-interference"
- Three spheres of righteousness
 - State, family, and civil society
- Critiqued by Marx
- "The state is the march of God through the world"

Lectures on the Philosophy of Religion, History, and the World

- The World- Africa had "no movement or development to exhibit"

"The rational alone is real"

Geist- Mind/Spirit

Sittlichkeit- ethical order

Three moments of the concept: universality, particularity,

individuality

Panlogism

Thesis-antithesis-synthesis triad

Microphone analogy against ding an sich

Influenced Marx's theory of historical materialism

Immanuel Kant- German 1724-1804

Critique of Pure Reason

- Transcendental Deduction
- A priori and posteriori (7+5=12)
- Analytic and Synthetic Judgements
- Noumenon
 - Ding-in-sich (thing in itself)
- Claims cosmological argument is invalid because it reduces to the ontological argument
- Distinguished between "understanding" and "sensitivity"
 - "Faculty of representation"
- Table of judgements
 - 12 categories

Critique of Practical Reason

- "the starry sky above me and the moral law within me"

Critique of Judgement

- Agreeable, good, beautiful, sublime

Metaphysics of Morals

- Categorical Imperative
 - Perfect / Imperfect duties
 - Should be generalizable without generating contradiction
 - Person acts as if actions were basis of universal law
 - "ought implies can"
 - Should not even lie to stop somebody from murder
- Ethics derived from reason
- Kingdom of Ends
- Critiqued by Schopenhauer

Answering the Question, What is Enlightenment (Sapere Aude?)

- "Man's emergence from his self-incurred immaturity"

Perpetual Peace: A Philosophical Sketch

- Outlined modern UN

Religion Within the Limits of Reason Alone

"Out of the timber of humanity, no straight thing was ever made"

Nicknamed the "All-Pulveriser"

Argues against religion and rationalism (Hume)

Categories of Thought- quality, quantity, relation, modality

Categories of the Understanding

Friedrich Schelling- German 1775-1854

Naturphilosophie

- Anti-scientific attempt to link nature and spirit
- Criticized by Fichte

System of Transcendental Idealism

- Tries to discover truth of knowledge

College roommate was Hegel

Friedrich Schiller- German 1759-1805

Good friend of Goethe, worked together on Xenien

On the Aesthetic Education of Man

Ode to Joy- "daughter from Elysuim", appears in magazine he

founded, Thalia

Nanie- set to music by Brahms; "even the beautiful must die"

The Gods of Greece

Aesthetic Letters

- Sinnestreib ("the sensuous drive")

- Formtrieb ("the formal drive")
 - Spieltrieb ("the play drive")
- Playwright: Sturm und Drang and Weimar Classicism
- The Robbers
- First European melodrama
 - Karl and Franz Moor, one wants money and power while the other wants anarchy in the Bohemian Forest
- Fiesco
- Intrigue and Love
- Ferdinand von Walter wishes to marry Luise Miller
 - Reminiscent of Romeo and Juliet
- Don Carlos
- Belief in personal freedom and democracy
- Wallenstein trilogy
- Wallenstein's Camp, The Piccolomini, and Wallenstein's Death
 - Thirty years war
- Mary Stuart
- The Maid of Orleans
- Joan of Arc
- The Bride of Messina
- William Tell
- Refusing to bow to Gessler's cap on a pole
- Demetrius

- Arthur Schopenhauer**- German 1788-1860
- The World as Will and Representation
- Will-> desires that cause suffering; "kernel of reality itself"
 - Upanishads and Hindu influence (asceticism)
 - Didn't believe in things in themselves or transcendental objects
 - "Criticism of the Kantian Philosophy"
- On the Basis of Morality
- Pessimist- focused on elimination of pain
 - Role of philosophy- "to lay bare the true nature of the world"
 - "Disinterested Spectators"- art provides break from misery
 - "Egoism"- natural but unenviable
 - "The Road to Solution"- silencing the will
 - Published along with "On the Freedom of Will" after rejected from contest
- On the Fourfold Root of the Principle of Sufficient Reason
- Becoming, knowing, being, willing
 - Nothing is without reason behind it
- Parerga and Parapomena
- Hedgehog's Dilemma
 - Dream organ
 - Independent of external impression of the senses
 - Accounts for supernatural phenomena
- The Art of Always Being Right: 38 ways to win an argument
- Eristic dialectic
 - "Don't let him off the hook"
 - "Bewilder Your Opponent by Mere Bombast"
 - Quotes Lamarck's argument about polyps' nervous system and "the extension"
 - Mountains can't be made from underwater molten rock
- On Visions and Colors
- Agrees with Goethe's opponent process view
- On Women
- Mysogynistic
 - "childish, frivolous, and short-sighted"
- Essay on Ghost Seeing
- Called an educator by Nietzsche
- Aesthetic Experience-Will-less knowing
- Inorganic/Botanical/Architectural subjects < humans/animals < music

Liberals

- Jeremy Bentham**- English 1748-1747
- A Fragment on Government
- Response to William Blackstone's "rule of law"
- Defense of usury
- Sent Adam Smith a letter arguing for free lending of money at interest
- Introduction to Principles of Morals
- "Nature has placed mankind under the governance of two sovereign masters, pain and pleasure"
 - Outlines utilitarianism
- Denied natural law and legal fiction
- Early proponent of animal rights

- Auguste Comte**- French 1798-1857
- The Course in Positive Philosophy
- Law of Three Stages
 - Theological -> Metaphysical -> Positive
- A General View of Positivism
- Founded praxeology and positivism
- "Religion of Humanity"
- Secular religion that valued connectedness during aftermath of French Revolution
- May have coined term altruism

- Denis Diderot**- French 1713-1784
- Encyclopedia
- Written with Jean le Rond d'Alembert and Baron d'Holbach
- Jacques the Fatalist
- Believes fate is already written above on a "great scroll"
- Rameau's Nephew
- Café de la Regence
 - Moi's encounter with Lui
 - He who laughs last, laughs best
- Paradox of the Actor
- D'Alembert's Dream
- Philosophical Thoughts
- The Skeptic's Walk
- Deist, athiest, and pantheist discuss divinity
- Indiscreet Jewels
- Written because of mistress Puisieux
 - Sultan has ring that reveals women's sexual experiences
 - Child named "Experiment" keeps growing and demolishes temple "Hypothesis"
- Andre le Breton wanted him to translate Chamber's Cyclopaedia

- William Godwin**- English 1756-1836
- First modern proponent of anarchism and utilitarianism
- An Enquiry Concerning Political Justice
- Contained thoughts on "earthly immortality"
- Things as They Are; or The Adventures of Caleb Williams
- Early mystery novel that attacks aristocratic privilege
- St. Leon
- Gothic novel that contains themes of life extension and immortality

- John Stuart Mill**- English 1806-11873
- On Liberty
- Grounded in principle in utility, not natural rights
 - Harm principle
 - Selling poison example
 - Warning somebody crossing a shaky bridge
- A System of Logic
- :Ratiocinative and Inductive

- Debate over scientific method
- Book VI "On the Logic of the Moral Sciences"
- Methods of Experimental Inquiry (methods of inductive reasoning)
 - Agreement
 - Difference
 - Agreement + Difference (concomitant variations)
 - Residue
- Deductive sciences are a subset of inductive
- Axioms and definitions of math are based on general experience
- Theory of names
 - Kripke and Frege commented on this

Utilitarianism

- Actions should be judged by "the proportion to which they promote happiness"
- Had to defend against claim that this was a "doctrine worthy only of swine"
- "Better to be Socrates dissatisfied than a fool satisfied"

Principles of Political Economy

- Debates Malthus and Ricardo

The Subjection of Women

- Gender equality
- Defended by wife Harriet Taylor
- "There remain no legal slaves, save the mistress of every houses"

"The Negro Question"

- Anonymous letter that supported abolition in US

A Few Words on Non-Intervention

- Criticized "going to war for an idea"

Argued for "benevolent despotism" with regards to the colonies

First MP to call for women's suffrage

Employee of British East India Company

Godfather of Russel

Thomas Paine- English-born American 1737-1809

The American Crisis

- "These are the times that try men's souls"
- "If being bound in that manner is not slavery, then there is not such a thing as slavery on earth"
- "Look on this picture and weep over it! And if there yet remains one thoughtless wretch who believes it not, let him suffer it unlamented"
- "Universal empire is the prerogative of the writer"

Common Sense

- Signed "by an Englishman"
- Original title Plain Truth
- One criticism warned we would "degenerate into democracy"
- John Adams called it a "crapulous mass"

The Age of Reason

- Advocated deism and free thought
- Ridiculed Christianity

Agrarian Justice

- Introduced concept of guaranteed minimum income

Rights of Man

- Refuted Burke
- In absentia case against Edmund Burke

Fled to France under target by William Pitt the Younger, and was elected to French National

Convention

Criticized Washington

William Paley- English 1743-1805

Natural Theology

- First to propose God as watchmaker

Jean-Jacques Rousseau- Genevan 1712-1778

Discourse on Inequality

- Civil society was invented when man cried "this is mine" about property

The Social Contract

- "Man is born free, and everywhere he is in chains"
- Society is ruled by "general will" of the people

Julie, or the New Heloise

Emile, or On Education

Reveries of a Solitary Walker

Essay on the Origin of Languages

Giambattista Vico- Italian 1668-1744

New Science

- Studied by Berlin, White, and Said
- Cyclical view of history

Verum factum

- "What is true is precisely what is made"

Distinguished between truth and certainty

Voltaire- French 1694-1778

Candide

- Professor Pangloss teaches Leibnizism optimism
 - Ridicules "best of all possible worlds"
- Cunegonde, Candide's love
- Martin
 - Valet that travels with Candide to Constantinople
- Hero horrified to learn "at what price we eat sugar in Europe"
- Depicts aftermath of Lisbon earthquake
- "We must cultivate our garden"

Irene

Zadig

- Philosopher in ancient Babylonia
- Loses love Semire and instead marries Astarte
- Azora, other love
- Shot in eye with an arrow
- Women searching for a basilisk for their master
- Hermit reading "the book of destinies"
- Parrot carries a peach stuck to a writing tablet to King Moabdar

Zaire

Micromegas

- Proto-science fiction story
- Written while staying as guest in palace of Sanssouci

Plato's Dream

Henriade

- Imitated Virgil with alexandrine couplet

The Maid of Orleans

History of Charles XII

- "I have resolved never to start an unjust war"

The Age of Louis XIV

Essay on the Customs and the Spirit of the Nations

- Refuted Bayle
- Defended Islamic and Chinese cultures

Philosophical Dictionary

Spy during War of Austrian Succession

Exchanged letters with Frederick and Catherine the Great

Imprisoned in Bastille

- Insulted Philippe d'Orleans
- Exiled to England instead of second sentence

"Crush the infamy"

Popularized story about Newton and the apple

Mary Wollstonecraft- English 1759-1797

A Vindication of the Rights of Men

- A letter to the Right Honourable Edmund Berke

A Vindication of the Rights of Women

- One of the earliest works of feminist philosophy
- Women = men

- "On National Education"
 - Schooling should be co-educational

Memoir

- Published by her husband William Godwin after her death
- Destroyed reputation for a while by revealing lifestyle choices

Egoist

Max Striner- German 1806-1856 (Young Hegelian)

The Ego and Its Own

- Union of the Egoists
- State and natural rights were spooks
- Promoted by John Henry Mackay
 - Author of The Anarchists
- Part one divided into
 - Realistic Stage- material
 - Idealistic- enslaved by ideologies
 - Egoism- adult free from constraints

Transcendentalists

Amos Bronson Alcott- American 1799-1888

Records of a School

Conversations with Children on the Gospels

"Orphic Sayings"

Vegan before term was coined

Fruitlands

- Experiment in community living

Father of Louisa May

Henry David Thoreau- American 1817-1862

Walden

Civil Disobedience

- "That government is best which governs least"
- "I ask for, not at once no government, but at once a better government"
- "Thousands do not pay their tax bills"
- "Peacable revolution"
- "All voting a sort of gaming"
- "Any man more right than his neighbors constitutes a majority of one"

A Week on the Concord and the Merrimack Rivers

Pragmatists

John Dewey- American 1859-1952

Review of General Psychology

The Public and its Problems

- Defends democracy
- Against Lippmann

Knowing and the Known

- Self-Action
- Interaction
- Transaction

Art as Experience

Democracy and Education

- Adults have to educate the young
 - Even in "savage" tribes
 - Communication is how we learn

Schools of To-morrow

Experience and Education

My Pedagogic Creed

The School and Society

The Child and the Curriculum

How We Think

Philosophy and Civilization

Functional Psychology

Dissertation "The Psychology of Kant"

Jose Ortega y Gasset- Spanish 1883-1955

The Revolt of the Masses

- The Mass-man

Meditations on Quixote

- I am myself and my circumstances

Concord and Liberty

The Dehumanization of Art

- Tried to "Europeanize" in Invertebrate Spain
- Pop explosion in Europe leading to "the barbarism of specialization"

William James- American 1842-1910

The Principles of Psychology

Essay in Radical Empiricism

The Varieties of Religious Experience

- :A Study in Human Nature
- Gifford Lectures
- "Healthy Mindedness" vs "The Sick Soul"
 - Sick soul go through suffering before religious experience

The Will to Believe

- Lecture defending the adoption of a belief without prior evidence of truth

Pragmatism

- Subtitled "A New Name for Some old Ways of Thinking"
- Opens by considering the "Present Dilemma in Philosophy"
- Belief in the Absolute Mind allows humans to take a "moral holiday"
- Analogy of man chasing squirrel around tree

James-Lange theory of emotion

Charles Sanders Peirce- American 1839-1914

"Father of pragmatism"

George Santayana- Spanish 1863-1952

Scepticism and Animal Faith

The Life of Reason

The Realms of Being

- Essence
- Matter
- Truth
- Spirit

AJ Ayer- British 1910-1989

Language, Truth, and Logic

- Verification principle is the only valid basis for philosophy
 - Only meaningful is it can be empirically observed
- Divides "the ordinary system of ethics" into four classes
- Chapter about the elimination of metaphysics
- The ego is fictious
- Sense-experience cannot belong to the sense-history of more than one self
- True and false are signs of negation or assertion
- "The author of Hamlet wrote Hamlet" and "Shakespeare wrote Hamlet"
 - Shows errors of monism
- "Stealing money is wrong"
 - Only shows personal disapproval

The Problem of Knowledge

Russell and Moore: The Analytical Heritage

"What I saw when I was dead"

- "I saw a Divine Being. I'm afraid I'm going to have to revise all my books and opinions"

Rudolf Carnap- German 1891-1970

The Logical Structure of the World

- Constituional project
 - Defines all scientific concepts
- "Immediately given"

Pseudoproblems in Philosophy

Logical Foundations of Probability

- Five different types of inferences

Der Raum (Space)

Vienna Circle

Hermeneutics

Wilhelm Dilthey- German 1833-1911

The Essence of Philosophy

Hans-Georg Gadamer- German 1900-2002

Truth and Method

- Hermeneutics equated to a Platonic dialogue
- People have a "historically effected consciousness"
- Interpreting a text involves a fusion of horizons
- "Who Am I and Who Are You"
 - Poem considered second volume

The Relevance of the Beautiful

Student of Heidegger

Martin Heidegger- German 1889-1970

Being and Time

- Dasein
 - "Being there"
 - Defined by Care
 - Importance of Temporality and Authenticity
 - Thrownness and Finitude
- Starts with discourse on "forgetting of Being"
- "Everyone is the other, and no one is himself"

The Question Concerning Technology

- Enframing (Gestell)

The Origin of the Work of Art

- Hermeneutic Circle

Language

- "Language speaks"

Black Notebooks

- Unapologetic nazi

Identity and Difference

- Ereignis ("An Event")

What is Metaphysics?

- Present at hand vs Ready to hand

Alethia (Disclosure)

Mentored by Husserl

Continental

Edmund Husserl- German 1859-1938

Cartesian Meditations

- Divided into five meditations
- Phenomenological reduction (bracketing) (epoche)
 - Suspending beliefs about material world
 - Puts aside all scientific observations of an experience
- Eidetic reduction
 - How much can you take away before the thing isn't itself

Logical Investigations

- "Intentionality"
 - Both empty and filled intuitions

Ideas: General Introduction to Pure Phenomenology

- Noesis
 - Conscious intentional actions
- Noema
 - Objects of intention
- Sinn and Bedeutung
- "Principle of all principles"
- "Natural standpoint"

The Crisis of European Sciences and Transcendental Phenomenology

- "Life World"
 - Pre-existing beliefs that shape how we view the shared human experience

Philosophy of Arithmetic

- Expanded from "On the Concept of Number"
 - Critiqued "psychologism" in mathematics
- Studied math under Weierstrass
- Criticized by Frege

Founded phenomenology

3 Strata of Logic

- "Morphology of meaning"
- "Logic of consequence"
- "Metalogical"

Retention and Potention

- How we perceive time

University of Sorbone

Student of Carl Stumpf and Franz Brentano

Emmanual Levinas- French / Lithuanian Jewish 1906-1995

Otherwise than Being (Beyond Essence)

Totality and Infinity

Leo Strauss- German American 1899-1973

Persecution and the Art of Writing

- Examined how Plato and Aristotle were interpreted by Jewish and Islamic philosophers

- GEM Anscombe**- British
Modern Moral Philosophy
- Consequentialism
 - Called for "adequate philosophy of psychology"
 - Brute truths
 - Do not require contextual institution
 - "Writers on moral philosophy from Sidgwick to the present day are of little importance"
- Intention
- "Direction of fit" between conative and cognitive states
- Making True
- "The potato crop in Ruritania was halved by blight"
- The First Person
- "I" means nothing

- Michael Dummett**- English 1925-2011
Interpreter of Frege
Quota Borda system of proportional voting
"Logical Harmony"
- There are constraints on rules of inference in a logical system

- John Fischer**- American 1952
Semicompatibilism

- Gottlob Frege**- German 1848-1925
Foundations of Arithmetic
On Sense and Reference
The Thought

- JL Mackie**- Australian 1917-1981
Ethics: Inventing Right and Wrong
- "There are no objective values"
 - Was the nicest guy
- "Evil and Omnipotence"
- Existence of God was "positively irrational"

- GE Moore**- English 1873-1958
Principia Ethica
- Naturalistic Fallacy
 - Use and definition of a term differ
 - Open-question Argment
 - Good as undefinable
 - Good as a non-natural property
 - Moral knowledge
- A Defence of Common Sense
The Refutaion of Idealism
- Refutes FH Bradley and John McTaggart
- Proof of an External World
- Here is one hand argument
- Some Judgements of Perception
- Blue and sensations of objects
 - Refutes Descartes and McTaggart
- Moore's paradox
- "It is raining, but I do not believe it is raining"
- Organic wholes

- Arthur Prior**- New Zealand 1914-1969
Tense logic
Intensional logic
Prior's tonk
Time and Modality

- Willard Van Orman Quine**- American 1908-2000
Two Dogmas of Empiricism
- Advocates semantic holism
 - Differentiates between analytic and synthetic statements
 - "All bachelors are unmarried"
 - "There is a cat on the mat"
 - "The verification theory and reductionism"
- Word and Object
- Indeterminacy of translation thesis
 - Thought experiement of the radical translation of Jungle
 - Gavagai- "Look, a Rabbit"
 - Stimulus meaning
 - Inscrutability of reference
 - Occasion vs Standing sentences
 - Expands upon his "From a Logical Point of View"
 - Linguist has no choice but to be a behaviorist
 - Cites Skinner as influence
 - Canonical notation
 - Vagueness and referential transparency
 - Can't replace Amsterdam with capital of Netherlands
 - Canonical Notation
 - Maxim of shall analysis
 - Ordinary language
- The Root of Reference
Set Theory and Its Logic
On What There Is
- "Everything" is a correct answer
- Quine-Putnam indispensability thesis
- Argues for the reality of mathematical entities

- Bertand Russel**- British 1872-1970
Principia Mathematica
- With Whitehead
- "On Denoting"
- "Present King of France is bald" denotes something and nothing
 - Criticizes the ontology of Meinong
 - Definited descriptions
 - "The shortest spy"
 - Indefinite descriptions
 - "Some sophomore"
 - Solves the problem of negative existentials
 - Uses primary and secondary occurrences of denoting phrases
 - Fictional names such as Apollo are to be treated as such
 - Criticized by PF Strawson in his article "On Referring"
 - Tries to solve the Frege's riddle of identity
 - "George IV's wondered whether Scott is the author of Waverly"
- The Problems of Philosophy
Why Men Fight
Mysticism and Logic and Other Essays
- "On the Notion of Cause"
- Free Thought and Official Propaganda
What I Believe
- "I have tried to say what I think of man's place in the universe, and of his possibilities in the way of achieving the good life"
- Why I Am Not a Christian
Marriage and Morals
- Supports eugenics
- Barber's Paradox
Berry Paradox
- "The smallest positive integer not definable in under sixty letters"
- Emotive Conjugation
- "I have reconsidered the matter, you have changed your mind, he has gone back on his word"

Russel's Teapot
Went to prison for pacifism during WWI

Wilfrid Sellars- American 1912-1989
Empiricism and the Philosophy of Mind

- "The Myth of the Given"

Philosophy and the Scientific Image of Man

Process

Alfred Lord Whitehead- Anglo-American 1861-1947
Principia Mathematica

- 3 volumes written with Russel

A Treatise on Universal Algebra
An Introduction to Mathematics
Process and Reality

- Ultimate abstract principle is creativity
- Enduring physical object

Science and the Modern World

Existentialists

Martin Buber- Austrain-Israeli
I and Thou

- Opposed to I and it

Albert Camus- French 1913-1960 Nobel 1957
The Rebel

- "An Essay on Man in Revolt"
- Rebellion and Revolution in Western Europe
- Actor, conquerer, and Don Juan lived ideal life
- Absence of meaning requires revolt, not suicide
- French Revolution caused by a quest for "the end of history"

The Stranger

- Meursault
 - Attends his mother's funeral
 - "Maman died today"
 - Kills an Arab on the beach a few days later
 - Writes letter to friend Raymond Sintes's girlfriend, so she will come over and Raymond can spit on her face
 - Has sex with Marie
 - Comforts neighbor Salamano, who lost his dog
 - Invited to Masson's beachhouse
 - Passes time in prison by listing things in his apartment
 - Opens himself "to the gentle indifference of the world"
 - Hopes people will attend his execution

The Myth of Sissyphus

- An Absurd Reasoning
- The Absurd Man
- Absurd Creation
- The Myth of Sisyphus
- "The struggle itself is enough to fill a man's heart"

The Plague

- Based on cholera epidemic of Oran
- Dr. Castel
- Thousands of rats die on the street
- Dr Bernard Rieux
- Philippe Othon is visited by Father Paneloux

The Fall

- "Judge penitent" Jean Baptiste Clamence

A Happy Death

- Focuses on "the will to happiness"

The First Man

Caligula

The Misunderstanding

Exile and the Kingdom

- The Adulterous Woman
- The Renegade or a Confused Spirit
- The Silent Men
- The Guest
- Jonas of the Artist at Work
 - Hoisted up to work on canvas
- The Growing Stone
 - D'Arrast helps Brazilian carry stone

"Neither Victims nor Executioners"

- Attacked communists

Simone de Beauvoir- French 1908-1986
The Second Sex

- "One is not born, but becomes a woman"
- "Eternal feminine"
- "Incomparable privilege of irresponsibility"
- "Man is in revolt against his carnal state; he sees himself as a fallen god"
 - Critique of edgar allen poe
- Facts and Myth
- Lived Experience
 - Men made women the "Other" by application of a false aura of "mystery"
 - "What is a woman"
 - Adapts Hegelian master-slave dialectic
- Disagreed with Engels that women suffered from invention of bronze and private property
- Men succeed through transcendence, women left with immanence
- Phallic Pride and Bread of Disgust
- Translated by HM Parshley

She Came to Stay

- Fictionalized chronicle of her (Francoise) sexual relationship with Sartre (Pierre)
- Olga and Wanda Kosakiewicz (Xaviere)

The Blood of Others

- Two French student's love story during WWII

The Mandarins

- Relationship with Nelson Algren and others

When Things of the Spirit Come First

The Coming of Age

- Decline and solitude humans experience if they do not die before age of 60

The Ethics of Ambiguity

- Man is free because of his nothingness
- Levels of freedom
 - Sub-man
 - Serious man
 - Nihilist
 - Adventurer
 - Passionate
 - Genuine freedom

Pyrrhus and Cineas

- If the conquerer's ultimate goal is to rest, why does he not just rest now?

Must we burn Sade?
"Feminism- alive, well, and in constant danger"

Soren Kierkegaard- Danish 1813-1855

Fear and Trembling

- Knight of Faith
 - Complete faith in himself and God
- Tragic Hero (Knight of Infinite Resignation)
 - Those who abandon their wish for their duty
- Asks if Abraham's sacrifice of Isaac was ethical
 - "Teleological suspension of the ethical"
 - Asserts Agamemnon's sacrifice was ethical

Either/Or

- Published under "victorious hermit" and "Johannes de Silentio"
- "Be either a philosopher or one of the mob"
- "Discover a second face hidden behind the one you see"
- Diapsalmata
 - What is a poet?
 - Would rather be a swineherd than a poet
 - Asks for laughter on his side
- Musical erotica
 - Analyzes Mozart
- The First Love
- Diary of a Seducer
 - The Judge
 - Failed love with Regina Olsen
 - Talks about seducing Cordelia
- Crop Rotation
 - Boredom is the root of all evil

Repetition

- "Repetition and recollection are the same movement, except in opposite directions"

The Sickness Unto Death

- Despair kills the soul
- Despair is sin
- Likely used example of Agnes and the Merman
- "The self if a relation which relates itself to itself"

Concluding Unscientific Postscript to Philosophical Fragments

- Subjective and Objective truths
- "Subjectivity is truth"

Upbuilding Discourses

Stages on Life's Way

- Aesthetic
- Ethical
- Religious
- Judge William

Works of Love

The Concept of Anxiety

- Attraction and repulsion we get when looking over a ledge

On the Concept of Irony with Continual Reference to Socrates

Friedrich Nietzsche- German 1844-1900

The Birth of Tragedy

- Apollonian and Dionysian
- Appended an "Attempt at Self-Criticism"

Thus Spoke Zarathustra

- Travels of Persian prophet
- Ubermensch
 - Beyond-man or superman
 - Goal for humanity
 - "formula for human greatness"
- Last Man
 - Antithesis to Ubermensch
 - Tired of life, take no risks, seek comfort and security
- Parts
 - 1001 goals
 - First appearance of will to power
 - Equated with "a table of excellencies that hangs over every people"
 - Self-Overcoming
 - Redemption

Beyond Good and Evil

The Gay Science (The Joyful Wisdom)

- First occurrence of God Is Dead
 - Shadow of Buddha in a cave
- Eternal return
 - Demon who tells you "you will have to live once more and innumerable times more"
 - "You are a god and never have I heard anything more divine"
 - Visits you in your "loneliest loneliness"
- Amor fati
 - "Love of fate"
 - See events as good, or at least necessary
 - Formula for human greatness

Ecce Homo

- Feels warmest to Heraclitus
- "Why I am so Smart"
- "Why I am so Wise"
- "Why I Write Such Good Books"
- Title comes from Pontus Pilate

On the Genealogy of Morality

- Preface
 - Reader's fault if they do not understand it
 - Rumination
 - Paul Ree
- Essay 1
 - Master-slave morality
 - Slaves subverted moral values of masters through resentment
 - Birds of prey / lambs
 - Good/bad and good/evil
- Essay 2
 - Ancestors venerated to godhood
 - "Maximum fear"
 - Bad conscience
 - Credit to debtors and original sin
- Essay 3
 - Ascetic Ideals

On Truth and Lies in a Nonmoral Sense

Philosophy in the Tragic Age of the Greeks

Daybreak

- Criticized how bible was taught

Human, All Too Human

- :A Book for Free Spirits

The Case of Wagner

The Will to Power

- Criticized by Mazzino Montinari
 - Claimed it does not exist
 - Called the text a forgery
- Published by his sister Elisabeth Forster and Peter Gast
- Literary remains of his work (Nachlass)

World Riddle

- Asks about the meaning of life

Jean Paul Sartre- French 1905-1980

Being and Nothingness

- A Phenomenological Essay on Ontology
- "Existence precedes essence"
- Argues for free will

- Influenced by reading Heidegger while prisoner
- Being in itself / Being for itself
 - En soi
 - Pour soi
- Facticity
 - Facts about the world
- Transcendence
- Part 1 The Origin of Negation
 - "Peirre is not here" and "I have no money"
- Part 2 Bad Faith
 - Bad Faith
 - Equating yourself to your job, class, or race
 - Uses example of café waiter
 - Girl on first date who deflects compliment and then doesn't move hand when taken by the man
 - Example of a homosexual in denial
 - "Great human stream"
 - Can become anything through nothingness
 - Setting aside freedom to be "for-itself", in favor of being "in-itself"
- Part 3 The Look
 - Critiques Freud and contributes to philosophy of sex
 - Consciousness is essentially self-conscious
 - Moment when you see a mannequin and confuse it for a real person
- "There is freedom only in situation"

Critique of Dialectical Reason

- Published in Les Temps modernes
 - His french journal
- "Theory of Practical Ensembles"
- Practico-inert
 - Field of study that does not actually solve founder's problems

Existentialism and Humanism

Existentialism is a Humanism

- In fashioning myself, I fashion man
- Man first of all exists, encounters himself, surges up in the world, and defines himself afterwards

Search for a Method

- Progressive-Regressive
- Integrates Marxist thinking with his own
- "Why then, are we not simply Marxists?"

Nausea

- Bouville ("Mud Town")
- Antoine Roquentin
 - "Sweet sickness"
- Anny
 - Old love that is able to move on
- Ogier P
 - Autodidact
 - Self-taught man
 - Pedophile
 - Confides in Antoine that he is a socialist

The Wall

The Roads to Freedom Trilogy

- The Age of Reason
 - Mathieu tries to raise money to afford an abortion for his mistress Marcelle
- The Reprieve
 - Twelve men and women eight days before Munich agreement
- Troubled Sleep

No Exit

- Joseph Garcin
 - Cheated on and mistreated his wife
 - Asks Estelle to tell him he was not a coward for fleeing during wartime
 - "Hell is other people"
 - "Well then, let's continue"
- Ines Serrano
 - Tries to seduce Estelle by offering to be her mirror
 - Seduced her cousin's wife
- Estelle Rigault
 - Had an affair, killed child, husband killed himself
 - Tries to stab Ines with paper knife
- Valet
 - Has no eyelids

The Chips Are Down

The Flies

The Condemned of Altona

- Political critique of Algerian war
- Bomb placed outside of apartment entrance

Anti-Semite and Jew

What is Literature

- Engagement
 - Writers must have this

The Family Idiot

- Multivolume history of Flaubert

Relationship with Simone de Beauvoir

Used example of spying through a keyhole to describe male-gaze

- Preceded Laura Mulvey, film theorist

Tried to deny his 1964 Nobel

Miguel de Unamuno- Spanish 1864-1963

The Tragic Sense of Life

- "Those who believe they believe in God, but without passion in the heart, without uncertainty, without doubt, and even at times without despair, believe only in the idea of God, and not in God himself"
- Ch 7: Love, suffering, pity, and personality
 - "Love is consolation in desolation"
 - "If bodies are united by pleasure, souls are united by pain"
 - References Nietzsche's eternal occurrence
 - Homeless man cares more for pity than money
- "homo sum, ergo cogito"

At the Bottom of the Abyss

- Primary quest of philosophy is "the hunger for god"
- God does not merely exist, but superexists

Abel Sanchez

- : The History of a Passion
- Uses Cain and Abel to explore envy
- Joaquin = Cain
- Abel marries Helena
- So Joaquin marries Antonia
 - Daughter named Joaquina

Niebla (Mist)

- Nivola
- Inspired by Kierkegaard's diary of a seducer
- Augusto tries to court Eugenia
 - Pays her mortgage as an act of kindness
- Starts talking to Rosaria instead
- Eulogy given by Augusto's dog Orfeo
- Augusto can't kill himself because he is Unamuno's creation

San Manuel Bueno, Mártir

- Catholic priest Don Manuel who loses faith
 - Still helps everybody
- Told by Angela
- Lazarus, Angela's brother
- When at the lake, both Lazarus and Manuel reveal that they do not believe in a god

Our Lord Don Quixote

- Rewriting of Don Quixote the way he thought it should be

"The Madness of Doctor Montarco"

- Physician who writes science fiction All or Nothing
- Member of the Generation of 98'
- University of Salamanca

Frankfurt School

Theodor Adorno- German 1903-1969

Dialectic of Enlightenment

- Written with Horkheimer

Minima Moralia

- "Sorrowful science is teaching of the good life"
- Acknowledges roots in the "damaged life" of author
- "The splinter in your eye is the best magnifying glass"
- Works against "untrue whole"
- Brings "Messianic light" to "project negatively an image of utopia"
- Opens with Kurnberger quote "Life does not live"

Negative Dialectics

- Non-identity

The Authoritarian Personality

- F (fascist) scale
- Authored by members of Berkeley

"On the Fetish-Character in Music and the Regression of Listening"

- Change in music in late capitalism

Philosophy of Modern Music

Aesthetic Theory

Taught Habermas

Walter Benjamin- German 1892-1940

The Work of Art in the Age of Mechanical Reproduction

- Quote from Paul Valery "for the last twenty years, neither matter nor space nor time has been what it was from time immemorial"
- "Aura" is devalued by media

Theses on the Philosophy of History

- The Turk
 - Chess automaton that always wins
 - Represents historical materialism
- Klee's Angelus Novus
 - "face turned towards the past"

Translated

- Baudelaire, Goethe, Kafka, Kraus

Jurgen Habermas- German 1929

The Structural Transformation of the Public Sphere

The Theory of Communicative Action

- "Reason and rationalization of society"

Between Facts and Norms

- World without democrat/republican dichotomy

The Dialects of Secularization

- Dialogue with Pope Benedict XVI about if religion is responsible for acts of terrorism

Philosophy in the Time of Terror

- Debate between him and Derrida

Herbert Marcuse- German-American 1898-1979

Eros and Civilization

- Addressed Freud's conflict in Civilization and Its Discontents

One-Dimensional Man

- Critiques both capitalism and communism

Reason and Revolution

Max Horkheimer- German 1895- 1973

Eclipse of Reason

- Objective, subjective, and instrumental reason
- Explains how Nazi's were able to project agenda as "reasonable"

Between Philosophy and Social Science

Dialectic of Enlightenment

- "Culture Industry"- mass culture homogenizes society
- People will blindly follow fascists ideology
- Written with Adorno

The Authoritarian State

Linguists

JL Austin- British 1911-1960

How to Do Things with Words

- Performative utterances
 - Sentence capable of actually doing something or changing the world

Sense and Sensibilia

- Argues against Ayer

Philosophical Papers

The Meaning of a Word

Other Minds

A Plea for Excuses

Ludwig Wittgenstein- Austrian-British 1889-1951

Tractatus Logico-Philosophicus

- Compares a read book to a ladder
- Picture Theory
 - Inspired by Paris traffic courts
 - Word's meaning is equivalent to its use in language
- 7 propositions
 - 1. "The world is everything that is the case"
 - 4. "A thought is a proposition with a sense"
 - 6. "The general form of a proposition is the general form of a truth function"
 - 7. "What we cannot speak we must pass over in silence"

Philosophical Investigations

- Begins with quote from St Augustine
- Edited by Anscombe
- "If a lion could talk, we could not understand him"
- "The world is everything that is the case"
- Language games
 - Builder A and B have their own language
 - "blocks, pillars, slabs, and beams"
 - Shopkeeper who has to look up the word red
- Private Language Games
 - Unlearnable and untranslatable
 - Write down letter S every time you feel a sensation
 - Memory and Meaning skepticism

- Anthony Kenny
 - Beetle in a box
 - Kripke's interpretation of quus
 - Same as plus except when greater than 57
 - Rule Following Paradox
 - Seeing that vs seeing as
 - Duckrabbit optical illusion
 - Family resemblances
 - Not one defining commonality
- Blue and Brown Books
- Collection of lectures
- Philosophy as therapy
- "To show the fly the way out of the fly-bottle"
- Wittgensteinian fidelism

Post-Structuralist

Jacques Derrida- Algerian born French 1930-2004

Speech and Phenomena

- Phenomenology of Husserl
- Critiqued his "metaphysics of presence"

Of Grammatology

- Deconstruction
 - Instability of language and meaning
- Rejected Binary Opposition
- Difference is a "hinge"
- Criticized transcendental Signified
- Arche Writing
 - "Writing is not a sign of a sign"
- Trace
- Translated by Gayatri Spivak
- Thoth on the cover
- "Writing before the letter"

Writing and Difference

- Cogito and the History of Madness
 - Critiqued Foucault and his use of evil demon argument and discussion of Descarte on insanity
- Violence and Metaphysics
- The Structuralist Controversy
 - Comments on Levinas
 - Opposes that only face-to-face interaction can be ethical
- "Structure, Sign, and Play in the Discourse of the Human Sciences"
 - Presented at John's Hopkins

Margins of Philosophy

Spectres and Marx

- "No outside texts" / "There is nothing outside the text"
- 10 plagues
- Hauntology
- "New International"
- Seeks to understand the Messianic Affirmation of Marx
- Attaks Etienne Condillac

Dissemination

- Plato's Pharmacy
 - Phaedrus analyzes word that can mean "potion" or "poison"

Glas

The Post Card

Limited Inc

- Written about John Searle

The Rhetoric of Drugs

Politics of Friendship

Paired with Habermas in Philosophy in a Time of Terror

Signature Event Context

- Iterability

Deconstructivist

Critic of logocentrism

Excused Nazi ties of Belgian colleague Paul de Man

Michel Foucault- French 1926-1984

Madness and Civilization

- "The Great Confinement"
- Mentally ill people were treated better during Renaissance
- Example of a group of lepers and the ship of fools

The Order of Things

- Sciences have their root in "life, labour, and language"
- Opens with discussion about Las Meninas
- Episteme
 - Linguistics, biology, economics
 - Debates Kant slightly
 - Intellectual assumptions of an era
- "Death of Man"
 - Face being washed away by the waves

The Birth of the Clinic

- "Medical gaze"
 - Separation of patient's body from their person

The Archaeology of Knowledge

Discipline and Punish

- Execution of Robert-Francois Damiens
- "Unequal gaze"
 - Repressive societies serve as panopticon
- Lack of empathy because of decrease in public executions

Security, Territory, Population

The History of Sexuality

- Biopower
 - How nations control subject's bodies
- We "Other Victorians"
- The Repressive Hypothesis
- Scientia Sexualis
- The Deployment of Sexuality
- Right of Death and Power of Life
- The Use of Pleasure
- The Care of the Self

Parrhesia

- Truthful speech

Philosophy of Science

Paul Feyerabend- Austrian 1924-1994

Against Method

- Argues science is an anarchic enterprise
- Epistemological anarchy
- Ends his reductios by saying "Anything goes"

Science in a Free Society

Farewell to Reason

Ronald Giere- American

Scientific Perspectivism

- Models are like colors and maps
- Always seen from human perspective

Explaining Science

Nelson Goodman- American 1906-1998

- Fact, Fiction, and Forecast
- New riddle of induction
 - Grue, emerald that changes color

Thomas Kuhn- American 1922-1996

The Structure of Scientific Revolutions

- Introduced term paradigm shift
- Claimed competing paradigms are incommensurable, and that there is a layer of subjectivity in science

Karl Popper- Austrian-British 1902-1994

The Logic of Scientific Discovery

- Falsifiability
 - Similar to Lakatos
 - Used example of white swans
- Bold Hypothesis
- Argued confusing "trends with laws"
- Four step process for deduction

The Open Society and Its Enemies

- The Spell of Plato
 - Argues that his ideas of gov are bad
 - "Fundamentally identical" to totalitarianism
 - Ridicules philosopher king as "monument of human smallness"
- The High Tide of Prophecy: Hegel Marx and the Aftermath
- Paradox of tolerance
 - Society must be intolerant of tolerant

The Poverty of Historicism

Of Clocks and Clouds

- Used gnats to represent gas cloud
- Fond of Charles Pierce
- Philosophical vs physical determinism

Conjectures and Refutations

- Verisimilitude / Truthlikeness
 - Attempts to rank how close to the truth, false theories are
 - Adapted from Tarski
 - Provided quantitative statement

The Myth of the Framework

Popper's Three Worlds

- 1- physical
- 2- mental
- 3- objective knowledge
- Tanner Lecture
- Adapted to The Self and Its Brain
 - Cowritten by Eccles

Popper's Expirement

- Einstein objected to it

Popper's Two Senses

- 2 apples + 2 apples = 4 apples
- Blurs constructivist and realist lines

Piecemeal Engineering

- Combat current evils rather than create Utopian good

Problem of demarcation

Modern

Stanley Cavell- American 1926-2018

Must We Mean What We Say?

- Revitalized interest in Kierkegarrrd's The Book on Adler
- Analyzed King Lear and Endgame
- "Music Decomposed"

The Claim of Reason

- Wittgenstein

Philosophy the Day After Tomorrow

Robert Nozick- American 1938-2002

Philosophical Explanations

Anarchy, State, and Utopia

- Libertarian answer to Rawls

Invariances

John Rawls- American 1921-2002

"Original Position" / "Veil of ignorance"

- What society would you live in if you did not know your class

A Theory of Justice

- Justice as fairness
- "Difference principle"
 - Society should try to benefit those who are worst off

Political Liberalism

Richard Rorty- American

Philosophy and the Mirror of Nature

- Dissolved (psuedo) questions, rather than solving them

Contingency, Irony, and Solidarity

- The Priority of Democracy to Philosophy
- Defends Rawls from Sandel

"Trotsky and the Wild Orchids"

"Ethics Without Principles"

"On Heidegger's Nazism"

Gillian Rose- English 1947-1995

Dialectic of Nihilism

"The Melancholy Science"

"Broken Middle"

Edward Said- Palestinian American 1935-2003

Orientalism

- Critique of cultural representations of the Orient

TM Scanlon- American 1940

What We Owe Each Other

- Theory of Contractualism

Four Horseman of Atheism

Daniel Dennett- American 1942

Brainstorms

Consciousness Explained

- Intuition pump
 - Thinker uses intuition to solve problem
 - Used to describe Chinese Room
- Mutiple drafts model of consciousness
- Cartesian Theater
 - Small man in brain interpreting sense experience
- We are philosophical zombies
 - No mental properties
- Orwellian and Stalinesque theories of the phi phenomenon
 - Both false because there is no finish line
- Heterophenomenology
- How Words Do Things With Us

Kinds of Minds

- How animal minds are different than human minds

- Freedom Evolves
- Free will is compatible with naturalist view of the world
- Darwin's Dangerous Idea
- Evolution accounts for origin of morality
- Breaking the Spell
- Religion as a Natural Phenomenon
 - Belief in belief
- Elbow Room + "I could not have done otherwise"
- Argues for compatibalism

Contemporaries

Harry Frankfurt- American 1929

On Bullshit

Frankfurt Cases

- Uses examples of Jones to defend compatibalism and free will
- Argues against Principles of Alternate Possibilities (PAP)
- Mrs. White influencing Donald the Democrat

Thomas Nagel- American 1937

"What is it Like to Be a Bat?"

- Critique of material reductionist accounts of the mind

The Possibility of Altruism

The View From Nowhere

Mind and Cosmos

- Why the Materialist Neo-Darwinian Conception of Nature is Almost Entirely False

Equality and Partiality

The Lard Word

Mortal Questions

Martha Nussbaum- American 1947

The Fragility of Goodness

Sex and Social Justice

Michael Sandel- American 1953

Liberalism and the Limits of Justice

- Communitarianism
- Critiques Dworkin and Rawl's A Theory of Justice
 - Criticized their collectivist foundation

Justice

- Free edX course

What's the Right Thing to Do?

Democracy's Discontent

What Money Can't Buy

- The Moral Limits of Markets
- Some things should not be sold for cash
 - Body organs
 - Right to kill endangered species
 - US Citizenship
 - Attacks Gary Becker

The Case Against Perfection

- Argued to limit attempts to improve human species through genetic engineering

Harvard law professor

Judith Thomson- American 1929

A Defense of Abortion

- The Violinist
- Expanding child
- People seeds

Trolley Problem stuff

Slavoj Zizek- Slovenian 1949

The Sublime Objects of Ideology

- Kynicism- advocates using humor to challenge culture

Post-Hegelianism and Freud-Marxism

"Elvis of Culture Theory"