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Euclidean space, Newton's principles and a slew of other things the book is a ticket to being lost. But, as matters stood then, they had equal scientific justification for rejecting Aristarcho's heliocentric speculations.

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Her book *An Imagined World* described five years spent with one scientist, tackling the question of whether and how the personality of a scientist is expressed in their work. Why were the ancients so fascinated by the sky and stars? In the 1970s and 1980s she wrote on the battle against disease, particularly *The Siege of Cancer* 1975 and *Quest for the Killers* 1985, which described the epidemiological search for the cause and cure of five deadly diseases: Kuru, Hepatitis B, Schistosomiasis, leprosy, and smallpox. Another book assigned to my undergraduate readings.

The Fabric of the Heavens: The Development of Astronomy and Dynamics, Toulmin, Goodfield

Suppose they had to pay for wild generalization, or unsound theorizing. The lives and works of Aristotle, Philoponus, Copernicus, Galileo, and Newton are duely explored, linking them into a geometric progression. Тэрээр мөн салбарт суурь бүтээл туурвиж, хугарлын сайжруулсан хувилбарыг зохион бүтээж, өөрийн үеийн эрдэмтэн телескопоор хийсэн нээлтүүдийг баталгаажуулжээ.

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Toulmin and Goodfield begin in ancient Babylon, where highly accurate mathematical techniques were used to calculate the positions of heavenly bodies. In so far as they allowed their judgement to be influenced by the weight of the evidence, they can be said to have thought scientifically. Toulmin and Goodfield, while skilled at explaining the distant past, seem a bit slapdash describing the first half of the twentieth century, and, of course, do not describe the second half at all.

The Fabric of the Heavens: The Development of Astronomy and Dynamics by Stephen Toulmin

What is more, even the most complex technicalities are reduced to a positively crystalline clarity: If I can understand them, anyone can. In case one is tempted to be scornful, two things should be said. Secondly, among the Greeks science was a purely intellectual enterprise.

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The lives and works of Aristotle, Copernicus, Galileo, and Newton are all thoroughly explored, and it is easier to see the continuity between them and their contemporaries in the breadth of this writing. From about 1550 one can fairly assume that anyone writing about, say, planetary dynamics has read most of the existing material directly relevant to his work.

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I enjoyed the biographical writing but had to crawl through the sections that talked about math and physics with the aid of Google. The story of our relationship with the stars and their celestial kins is ancient, fascinating, and full of awe. He is the author of some twenty books, in those domains.

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