Sumerian Civilization

- c. 3500-2350 BC
- The Sumerians invented writing and used it to keep records on clay tablets.

Egyptian Kingdoms

- c. 3100-1050 BC
- Ramses the Great was one of Egypt's great pharaohs.

Harappan Civilization

- c. 2300-1700 BC

Minoan Civilization

- c. 2000-1400 BC
- The Minoans traded vessels like this one throughout the eastern Mediterranean.

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c. 1500–1050 BC

Olmec Civilization
c. 1200–400 BC

The Greek World
c. 750–330 BC

The Roman World
c. 509 BC–AD 476

Han Dynasty
c. 206 BC–AD 220

Gupta Dynasty
c. AD 320–550

**Important People**

**Sargon** (c. 2350 BC) was a king of Akkad, a land north of Sumer. He created a powerful army and used it to build the world’s first empire.

**Hammurabi** (ruled c. 1792–1750 BC) founded the Babylonian Empire and issued the first known written code of laws.

**Queen Hatshepsut** (ruled c. 1503–1482 BC) was a ruler of Egypt who expanded trade routes.

**Siddhartha Gautama** (c. 563–483 BC) was an Indian prince who became known as the Buddha. His teachings became the foundation for Buddhism.

**Confucius** (c. 551–479 BC) was a Chinese philosopher and teacher. His teachings, known as Confucianism, became a major philosophy in China.

**Alexander the Great** (c. 356–323 BC) built one of the largest empires in the ancient world and spread Greek culture throughout his empire.

**Pericles** (c. 495–429 BC) was an Athenian orator and politician. During his 30-year rule, Athenian democracy reached its height.

**Shi Huangdi** (c. 259–210 BC), the first Qin emperor, united China for the first time and built what would become the Great Wall of China.

**Augustus** (c. 63 BC–AD 14) was Rome’s first emperor. During his reign Rome entered the Pax Romana.

**Jesus of Nazareth** (c. AD 1–30) was one of the most influential people in history. His life and teachings were the basis for Christianity.
Important Dates

476 The western Roman Empire falls.
534 The Byzantine emperor Justinian creates a unified code of laws.
581 The Sui dynasty reunites China.
622 Muhammad leaves Mecca for Medina.
711 The Moors invade Spain.
800 Pope Leo III crowns Charlemagne Emperor of the Romans.
1066 William the Conqueror leads the Norman invasion of Britain.
1192 The first shogun takes power in Japan.
1215 A group of nobles forces King John to sign Magna Carta.
1324 Mansa Musa leaves Mali on a hajj to Mecca.
1347-1351 The Black Death strikes Europe.
1453 The Ottoman Turks capture Constantinople.
1492 Christopher Columbus sails to the Americas.
1517 Martin Luther posts his Ninety-Five Theses.
1521 Hernán Cortés conquers the Aztec Empire.
1537 Francisco Pizarro conquers the Inca Empire.
1545-1563 The Council of Trent meets to reform Catholic teachings.
1588 England defeats the Spanish Armada.
1633 Galileo is put on trial for promoting ideas that go against the Catholic Church.
1776 The American colonies declare independence from Great Britain.
1789 The French Revolution begins when a mob storms the Bastille in Paris.
Compasses like this one helped explorers navigate the seas during the Age of Exploration.

**Important People**

Muhammad (c. 570–632) was the founder of Islam. He spread Islam's teachings to the people of Arabia. His teachings make up the Qur’an.

Charlemagne (742–814) was a Frankish king who ruled most of what is now France and Germany. He helped promote Christianity in western Europe.

Lady Murasaki Shikibu (c. 1000) was a court lady during Japan’s Heian Period. She wrote *The Tale of Genji*, considered by some to be the world’s first novel.

Kublai Khan (1215–1294) was a Mongol ruler who completed the conquest of China and founded the Yuan dynasty.

Mansa Musa (c. 1300) was the ruler of the Mali Empire at the height of its wealth and power. He helped spread Islam throughout West Africa.

Johann Gutenberg (c. 1390–1468) was a German inventor who invented a method of printing with moveable type.

Christopher Columbus (1451–1506) was an Italian navigator who sailed to the Americas for Spain searching for a route to Asia.

Leonardo da Vinci (1452–1519) painted the *Mona Lisa*, one of the world’s most admired paintings.

Sir Isaac Newton (1642–1727) was one of the most influential scientists in history. He proposed a law of gravity to explain the movement of objects.
Events and People

Politics

1790s Toussaint-L'Ouverture successfully leads a rebellion of slaves against French rule in Haiti.

1811 Simon Bolívar helps Venezuela fight for its independence from Spain, influencing independence movements in Bolivia, Colombia, and Ecuador.

1837 Queen Victoria begins her 63-year reign in the United Kingdom.

1868 Tokugawa Keiki resigns as the last shogun of Japan.

1916 Jeanette Rankin becomes the first woman elected to the United States House of Representatives.

1933 Mohandas Gandhi begins a 21-day hunger strike as a non-violent protest against British rule in India.

1949 Mao Zedong transforms China into a Communist nation.

1994 Nelson Mandela is elected the first black president of South Africa after many years of struggling against apartheid.

Science and Technology

1856 Henry Bessemer develops a method for converting iron into steel.

1886 Josephine Cochran receives a patent for the first workable dishwasher.

1903 Orville and Wilbur Wright complete the first controlled aircraft flight.
1948 **Politics**
The country of Israel is established.

1957 **Science and Technology**
The Soviet Union launches the satellite Sputnik 1, beginning the space race.

1983 **Society and Culture**
The Internet becomes available to the general public.

1996 **Society and Culture**
J. K. Rowling publishes the first Harry Potter book.

2004 **Politics**
Lance Armstrong wins a record 6th Tour de France bicycle race.

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1905 **Albert Einstein** introduces the theory of relativity.

1911 **Marie Curie** wins the Nobel Prize in chemistry for discovering several radioactive elements including radium.

1925 **George Washington Carver** publishes a book on how to find industrial uses for agricultural products.

1969 **Neil Armstrong** becomes the first person to walk on the moon.

1997 **J. K. Rowling** publishes the first Harry Potter book.

1848 **Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels** introduce *The Communist Manifesto*.

1880 **Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky** pens the *1812 Overture* to commemorate Russia's victory over Napoleon in 1812.

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Biographical Dictionary

A

Abbas (1571–1629) Safavid leader, he took back land that had been lost to the Ottomans. He also made great contributions to the Safavid economy and culture. (p. 91)

Abu Bakr (uh-boo BAK-uh) (c. 573–634) The first caliph, he ruled the Muslim world after Muhammad’s death. (p. 80)

Akbar (1542–1605) Mughal emperor, he conquered new lands and worked to make the Mughal government stronger. He also began a tolerant religious policy that helped unify the empire (p. 92).

al-Idrisi (uhl-I-DREE-see) (1100–1165) Muslim geographer, he collected information from Arab travelers in order to write an accurate geography book. (p. 95)

Abighieri, Dante See Dante.

al-Khwarizmi (al-KWAHR-iz-mee) (c. 780–850) Muslim mathematician, he laid the foundation for modern algebra. (p. 96)

Aquinas, Thomas (uh-KWY-uh) (1225–1274) Dominican philosopher, he argued that rational thought could be used to support Christian belief. (p. 273)

Aristotle (384–322 BC) Greek philosopher, he wrote about astronomy, geography, and many other fields. His idea that people should observe the world carefully to draw logical conclusions helped shape science. (p. 355)

Askia the Great (c. 1443–1538) Songhai ruler, he overthrew Sunni Baru. His reign was the high point of Songhai culture. (p. 145)

Atahualpa (ah-tah-WAH-l-pah) (1502–1533) The last Inca king, he was killed by Francisco Pizarro. (p. 425)

Attila (AT-uhl-uh) (c. 406–453) Leader of the Huns, he led invasions of Constantinople, Greece, Gaul, and northern Italy and was greatly feared by the Romans. (p. 33)

Augustus (63 BC–AD 14) First Roman emperor, he was originally named Octavian. He gained control of Rome after defeating Marc Antony in battle. As emperor, Augustus built many monuments and a new forum. (p. 25)


B

Babur (BAH-booh) (1483–1530) Indian emperor, he founded the Mughal Empire. (p. 92)

Bacon, Francis (1561–1626) English philosopher, he argued that science could be pursued in a systematic, logical fashion. His ideas helped develop the scientific method. (p. 364)

Benedict (c. 480–547) Italian saint and monk, he created a set of rules for monks to follow. (p. 236)

Botticelli, Sandro (bot-ti-CHEL-lee) (1445–1510) Italian Renaissance painter, he is famous for painting scenes from Roman myths. (p. 308)

Brahe, Tycho (TYOO-koh BRAH-huh) (1546–1601) Danish astronomer of the Scientific Revolution, he emphasized the importance of careful observation. (p. 360)

Brueghel, Pieter (BROY-guhl) (1525–1569) Belgian painter of the Northern Renaissance, he painted people in everyday activities. (p. 314)

Brunelleschi, Filippo (broo-nayl-LAYS-kkee) (1377–1446) Italian Renaissance architect, he used mathematical formulas to design strong buildings. (p. 309)
Cabot, John (c. 1450-1499) Italian sailor who sailed for Henry VII of England, he reached the coast of Canada. (p. 450)

Cabral, Pedro (c. 1467–c. 1520) Portuguese sailor, he claimed Brazil for Portugal. (p. 449)

Calvin, John (1509–1564) Christian reformer, he taught about predestination, living good lives, and obeying God's laws. (p. 332)

Cartier, Jacques (zhahk kahr-tyay) (1491–1557) French explorer, he sailed up the Saint Lawrence River and claimed land in North America for France. (p. 450)

Cervantes, Miguel de (mee-GEL day ser-VAHN-tays) (1547–1616) Spanish writer, he wrote *Don Quixote*. (p. 316)

Charlemagne (SHAHR-luh-mayn) (742–814) King of the Franks, he was a brilliant warrior and strong leader. He was crowned Emperor of the Romans in 800. (pp. 237, 239)

Charles I (1600–1649) King of England, his conflict with Parliament caused the English Civil War. He was beheaded in 1649. (p. 484)

Charles II (1630–1685) King of England, he was the son of Charles I. He was asked by Parliament to rule England after the death of Oliver Cromwell. (p. 485)

Chaucer, Geoffrey (CHAW-suhr) (c. 1342–1400) Medieval English poet, he wrote *The Canterbury Tales*. (p. 270)

Clavis (c. 466–511) Frankish king, he built a huge kingdom in Gaul. (p. 33)

Columbus, Christopher (1451–1506) Italian sailor supported by the rulers of Spain, he reached the Americas in 1492. (pp. 449, 450)

Confucius (551–479 BC) Chinese philosopher, he emphasized ethical behavior for individuals and governments. (p. 177)

Constantine (KAHN-stuhn-teen) (c. 280–337) First Christian Roman emperor, he briefly reunited the two halves of the Roman Empire. He also moved Rome's capital to Constantinople. (p. 31)


Cortés, Hernán (er-NAHN kawr-TAYS) (1485–1547) Spanish conquistador, he went to Mexico in search of gold and conquered the Aztec Empire. (p. 413)

Cromwell, Oliver (1599–1658) Leader of Parliament, he overthrew King Charles I in 1642 and became ruler of England. (p. 484)
da Gama, Vasco  See Gama, Vasco da.


Dante (DAHN-tay) (1265–1321) Italian Renaissance poet, he wrote The Divine Comedy in the Italian language. (p. 306)

Descartes, René (ruh-NAY day-CART) (1596–1650) French philosopher, he believed that nothing should be accepted as true if it had not been proven. His ideas helped develop the scientific method. (p. 365)

Dias, Bartolomeu (c. 1450–1500) Portuguese explorer, he sailed around the southern tip of Africa. (p. 449)


Diocletian (dy-uh-KLEE-shuhn) (c. 245–c. 316) Roman emperor, he divided the Roman Empire into two halves. (p. 31)

Drake, Francis (c. 1540–1596) English sailor, he was sent to the Americas to steal gold and silver from Spanish ships. (p. 451)

Du Fu (712–770) One of China’s greatest poets, he lived during the Tang dynasty. (p. 173)

Dürer, Albrecht (AWL-brekt DYUR-uhrt) (1471–1528) German Renaissance artist, he is famous for his prints and woodcuts. (p. 315)

Fatimah (c. 600–633) Muhammad’s daughter, she holds a place of honor in the Islamic religion. (p. 65)

Ferdinand (1452–1516) King of Spain, he and his wife Isabella completed the Reconquista. They forced Jews in Spain to become Christian or leave and banned Islam. (p. 284)

Francis of Assisi (c. 1182–1226) Italian saint, he encouraged people to be kind to others and founded the Franciscan Order. (p. 272)

Franklin, Benjamin (1706–1790) American colonial leader, he argued that the British government had no right to tax the colonists because they had no representation in Parliament. (p. 481)
Galilei, Galileo (gal-uh-LEE-oh gal-uh-LAY) (1564-1642) Italian scientist, he was the first scientist to routinely use experiments to test theories. He was placed on trial for supporting theories that contradicted Church teachings. (p. 361)

Gama, Vasco da (c. 1460-1524) Portuguese sailor, he sailed around Africa to reach India. (p. 449)

Genghis Khan (JENG-guhs kahn) (c. 1162-1227) Ruler of the Mongols, he led his people in attacks against China and against other parts of Asia. His name means "universal leader." (p. 180)

Gregory VII (1020-1085) A powerful medieval pope, he fought with Holy Roman Emperor Henry IV over the power to choose church officials. (p. 263)

Gutenberg, Johann (YOH-hahn GOO-tuhn-berk) (c. 1400-1468) German printer, he developed a printing press that used movable type. (p. 313)

Henry IV (1050-1106) Holy Roman Emperor, he fought against Pope Gregory VII over the power to choose church officials. (p. 263)

Henry VIII (1491-1547) King of England, he split with the Catholic Church and declared himself head of the Church of England, or Anglican Church. (p. 333)

Henry the Navigator (1394-1460) Prince of Portugal, he helped promote exploration by Portuguese sailors. (p. 448)

Holbein, Hans (HAWL-byyn) (1497-1543) Swiss Renaissance painter, he is known largely for his portraits. (p. 315)

Ibn Battutah (1304-c. 1368) Muslim traveler and writer, he visited Africa, India, China, and Spain. (p. 95)

Ibn-Sina (980-1037) Muslim doctor, he wrote a book on medicine that was used throughout Europe until the 1600s. He is known in the West as Avicenna. (p. 96)

Ignatius of Loyola (ig-NAV-shuhs) (1491-1556) Spanish noble and saint, he founded the Society of Jesus, or the Jesuits. (p. 336)

Isabella (1451-1504) Queen of Castile in Spain, she helped complete the Reconquista. She and her husband banned Islam and forced all Jews in Spain to become Christian or leave. She also helped pay for the voyages of Christopher Columbus. (p. 284)

James II (1633-1701) King of England, he tried to re-introduce Roman Catholicism to England, a Protestant country. He was replaced as ruler by William and Mary. (p. 485)

Jefferson, Thomas (1743-1826) American colonial leader and author of the Declaration of Independence, he believed that Britain had no right to govern or impose taxes on the colonies. (p. 481)

Jesus (c. AD 1-c. 30) Founder of Christianity, he is considered the Savior by Christians and a prophet by Muslims. (p. 61)

Joan of Arc (c. 1412-1431) French peasant girl, she rallied the French troops during the Hundred Years' War. (p. 278)

Justinian (juh-STIN-ee-uhn) (c. 483-565) Emperor of the eastern Roman Empire, he organized all Roman laws into a legal system called Justinian's Code. He also reconquered much of the Mediterranean and built Hagia Sophia. (pp. 36, 41)
Kepler, Johannes (1571–1630) German astronomer, he proved that the planets orbit the sun. (p. 360)

Khadijah (ka-DEE-jah) (600s) Muhammad's wife, she was a successful trader. (p. 59)

Khayyám, Omar See Omar Khayyám.

Kublai Khan (KOO-bluh KAHN) (1215–1294) Mongol ruler, he completed the conquest of China and founded the Yuan dynasty. (p. 181, 187)

Las Casas, Bartolomé de (1474–1566) Spanish priest, he protested the terrible treatment of American Indians. He attempted to convert the Indians to Christianity. (p. 457)

Leeuwenhoek, Antoni van (ANT-uh-nee LAY-venhook) (1632–1723) Dutch scientist, he was the first person to use a microscope as a scientific instrument. (p. 363)

Leo Africanus (c. 1485–c. 1554) Muslim traveler, he wrote about his journeys in Africa. (p. 144)

Leonardo da Vinci (lay-oh-NAHR-doh dah VEEN-chee) (1452–1519) Genius of the Renaissance, he was a painter, sculptor, inventor, engineer, town planner, and mapmaker. (p. 308)

Li Bo (701–762) One of China's greatest poets, he lived during the Tang dynasty. (p. 173)

Li Qingzhao (ching-ZHOW) (1081–1141) China's greatest female poet, she lived during the Song dynasty. (p. 173)

Locke, John (1632–1704) English philosopher, he thought that government was a contract between the ruler and the people. (pp. 479, 483)

Louis XIV (1638–1715) French king, he believed that he ruled by divine right. (p. 478)

Louis XVI (1754–1793) French king at the time of the French Revolution, he refused to sign a constitution limiting his power. He was tried and later executed. (p. 488)

Luther, Martin (1483–1546) German priest credited with starting the Reformation, he nailed a list of complaints about the Catholic Church to a church door in Wittenberg, Germany. (p. 330)

Machiavelli, Niccolo (mahk-yah-VEL-lee) (1469–1527) Italian writer and politician, he wrote The Prince in which he advised leaders on how to rule. (p. 306)

Madison, James (1751–1836) American colonial leader, he was the primary author of the Constitution. (p. 487)

Magellan, Ferdinand (muh-JEL-uhn) (c. 1480–1521) Portuguese explorer who sailed for Spain, his crew was the first to circumnavigate the globe. (p. 449)

Maimonides (my-MAHN-uh-deez) (1135–1204) Jewish scholar, he tried to unite the work of Aristotle with Jewish ideas. (p. 356)

Malintzin (mah-LINT-suhn), or Malinche (c. 1501–1550) Native American guide and interpreter for the Spanish conquistadors, she helped Cortés in his conquest of the Aztecs. (pp. 414, 415)

Mansa Musa (MAHN-sah moo-SAH) (died c. 1332) Mali’s greatest and most famous ruler, he was a devout Muslim. He made a famous pilgrimage to Mecca that helped spread Mali’s fame. (pp. 138, 141)

Marie-Antoinette (1755–1793) French queen and wife of King Louis XVI, she lived extravagantly and was executed during the French Revolution. (p. 488)
Medici, Cosimo de' (KOH-zee-moh day MED-i-chee) (1389–1464) Italian banker and leader of Florence, he wanted to make Florence the greatest city in the world. His actions helped bring about the Renaissance. (p. 302)

Mehmed II (1432–1481) Ottoman sultan, he defeated the Byzantine Empire in 1453. (p. 89)

Merici, Angela (may-REE-chee) (c. 1474–1540) Italian saint, she founded the Ursuline Order. (p. 336)

Michelangelo (mee-kay-LAHN-jay-loh) (1475–1564) Italian Renaissance artist, he designed buildings, wrote poetry, and created sculptures and paintings. (pp. 308, 311)

Moctezuma II (MAWK-tay-soo-mah) (1466–1520) The last Aztec emperor, he was killed in the Spanish conquest led by Cortés. (p. 413)

Montesquieu, Charles-Louis (mohn-te-SKYOO) (1689–1755) French Enlightenment thinker, he believed that government should be divided into separate branches to protect people's freedom. (p. 480)

Muhammad (c. 570–632) Founder of Islam, he spread Islam's teachings to the people of Arabia. His teachings make up the Qu'ran. (p. 59)

Murasaki Shikibu (moohr-ah-sahk-ee shee-kee-boo) (c. 978–c. 1026) Japanese noble and writer, she wrote The Tale of Genji, the world's first known novel. (pp. 205, 209)

Omar Khayyám (oh-mahr-ky-AHM) (c. 1048–c. 1131) Sufi poet, mathematician, and astronomer, he wrote The Rubáiyát. (p. 97)

Pacal (puh-KAHL) (603–683) Maya king, he had a temple built in the city of Palenque to record his achievements as a ruler. (p. 393)

Pachacuti (pah-chah-OO-tie) (died 1471) Inca ruler, he greatly expanded the Incas' territory. (p. 423)

Patrick (400s) Christian saint, he converted the people of Ireland to Christianity. (p. 235)

Petrarch (PEH-trahrk) (1304–1374) Early Italian Renaissance scholar, he wrote about the importance of knowing history. (p. 310)

Pizarro, Francisco (1475–1541) Spanish conquistador, he conquered the Inca Empire. (p. 425)

Newton, Sir Isaac (1642–1727) English scientist, he studied and simplified the work of earlier scientists. He identified four laws that explained how the physical world works. (p. 362)

Oda Nobunaga (ohd-ah noh-booh-nah-gah) (1534–1582) Japanese shogun, he fought to unify all of Japan. (p. 217)
Polo, Marco (1254–1324) Italian trader, he traveled to China and later wrote about his trip. During his time in China he served as a government official in Kublai Khan's court. (p. 299)

Ptolemy (TAHL-uh-mee) (AD 100s) Ancient Greek astronomer and geographer, he studied the skies and made maps of the Mediterranean region. (p. 356)

Rabelais, François (FRAN-swah RAB-uh-lay) (1483–1533) French Renaissance writer, he poked fun at the ideas of the Middle Ages. (p. 316)

Richard I (1157–1199) King of England, he led Christian soldiers in the Third Crusade. He earned the respect of his enemies as well as Christian soldiers for his bravery and his fairness. (p. 266)

Robespierre, Maximilien (roh-bes-pyur) (1758–1794) A leader of the French Revolution, his execution ended the Reign of Terror. (p. 489)

Rousseau, Jean-Jacques (roo-SOH) (1712–1778) French philosopher, he believed in popular sovereignty and the social contract between citizens and their governments. (p. 480)

Saladin (1137–1193) Muslim general, he led the Muslim forces during the Third Crusade. (p. 266)

Schliemann, Heinrich (HYN-rik SHLEE-mahn) (1822–1890) Famous archaeologist, he discovered the location of Troy. (p. 14)

Shah Jahan (1592–1666) Ruler of the Mughal Empire, he built the Taj Mahal to honor his wife. (p. 93)

Shakespeare, William (1564–1616) English Renaissance writer and playwright, he is considered by many to be the greatest English writer of all time. (p. 317)

Shikibu, Murasaki See Murasaki Shikibu.

Shotoku (shoh-toh-koo) (573–621) Japanese regent, he was one of Japan's greatest leaders. He was influential in bringing Buddhism and Chinese ideas to Japan. (p. 202)

Smith, Adam (1723–1790) British economist, he argued that governments should not interfere in economic matters and that economic growth came when individuals were free to make their own choices. (p. 477)

Suleyman I (soo-lay-MAHN) (c. 1494–1566) Ottoman ruler, he governed the empire at its height. (p. 90)

Sundiata (soohn-JAH-ht-ah) (died 1255) Founder of the Empire of Mali, his reign is recorded in legends. (p. 136)

Sunni Ali (SOO-nee ah-LEE) (died 1492) Emperor of Songhai, he conquered Mali and made Songhai into a powerful state. (p. 143)

Taizong (TY-tzong) (600–649) Chinese emperor of the Tang dynasty, he conquered much of Asia, reformed the military, and created codes of law. (p. 167)

Theodora (c. 500–548) Empress of the eastern Roman empire and Justinian’s wife, she helped her husband rule. (pp. 37, 41)

Titian (TISH-un) (c. 1488–1576) Italian Renaissance painter, he painted many scenes from history. (p. 308)

Tokugawa Ieyasu (toh-koog-ah-wuh ee-eyahs-ooch) (1543–1616) Japanese shogun, he unified all of Japan and began the Tokugawa shogunate. (p. 217)

Tunka Manin (TOOHN-kah MAH-nin) (ruled c. 1068) King of the Empire of Ghana, his kingdom was visited by Muslim writers. (p. 134)

Tyndale, William (TIN-duhl) (c. 1494–1536) English professor, he translated the Bible into English. He was later executed as a heretic. (p. 332)
Urban II (c. 1035–1099) Medieval pope, he called on Christians to launch the First Crusade. (p. 264)

van Eyck, Jan (yah vahn-YK) (1395–1441) Northern Renaissance artist, he was best known for his portraits. (p. 315)

Voltaire (vohl-TAYR) (1694–1778) French philosopher, he mocked government and religion in his writings. (pp. 476, 477)

William and Mary (1650–1702; 1662–1694) Rulers of England, they agreed to the English Bill of Rights, which limited their powers and recognized some rights for English citizens. (p. 485)

William the Conqueror (c. 1028–1087) Powerful French noble who conquered England, he brought feudalism to Britain. (p. 244)

Wollstonecraft, Mary (1759–1797) British writer, she argued that women should have the same rights as men. (p. 477)

Wu (625–705) Empress of China during the Tang dynasty, she ruled ruthlessly and brought prosperity to China. (p. 168)

Xavier, Francis (ZAYV-yuhr) (1506–1552) Jesuit priest and missionary, he introduced Catholicism to parts of India and Japan. (p. 338)

Yang Jian (yang jee-EN) (541–604) Chinese emperor, he reunified China after the Period of Disunion and established the Sui dynasty. (p. 167)

Zheng He (juhng HUH) (c. 1371–c. 1433) Chinese admiral during the Ming Dynasty, he led great voyages that spread China’s fame throughout Asia. (p. 183)

Zhu Yuanzhang (JOO yoo-ahn-JAHNG) (1368–1398) Emperor of China and founder of the Ming dynasty, he led an army that overthrew the Mongols. (p. 182)