

## Writers

(in Chronological Order, Uncategorized by Genre)

Anonymous (Egyptian, c4250-c2000 BC), *The Book of the Dead*

Anonymous (Babylonian, c2000 BC) *Gilgamesh*

Writers of the Old Testament of the Bible (Hebrew, c1500-400 BC)

Homer (Greek, 9th century BC)

Hesiod (Greek, end of 8th century BC)

Zoroaster (Persian, 7th century BC or earlier) also known as Zarathustra.

Sappho (Greek, c615-? BC)

Aesop (Greek, 6th century BC)

Anacreon (Greek, c572-488 BC)

Buddha (Indian, 563-483 BC) born Prince Siddhartha Gautama,

Confucius (Chinese, 551-479 BC) Latinized form of K'ung fu-tzü

Aeschylus (Greek, 525-456 BC)

Pindar (Greek, 518-438 BC)

Sophocles (Greek, 496-406 BC)

Herodotus (Greek, c484-c428 BC)

Euripides (Greek, c480-407 BC)

Thucydides (Greek, c471-c400)

Socrates (Greek, 469-399 BC)

Aristophanes (Greek, c450-385 BC)

Xenophon (Greek, c430-c354 BC)

Plato (Greek, c428-347 BC)

Aristotle (Greek, 384-322 BC)

Demosthenes (Greek, 384-322 BC)

Theophrastus (Greek, c372-c287 BC)

Menander (Greek, 342-291 BC)

Epicurus (Greek, 342-271 BC)

Theocritus (Greek, c310-c250 BC)

Zeno (Greek, fl. c300 BC)

Apollonius of Rhodes (Greek, 3rd century BC)  
Lao Tzu (Chinese, prob. 3rd century BC)  
Titus Maccius Plautus (Roman, c254-184 BC)  
Polybius (Greek, c201-c120 BC)

Terence (Roman, c195-159 BC) short for Publius Terentius Afer.  
Moschus (Greek, fl. c150 BC)  
Marcus Tullius Cicero (Roman, 106-43 BC)  
Bion (Greek, c100 BC)  
Gaius Julius Caesar (Roman, 100-44 BC)

Lucretius (Roman, c94-c55 BC)  
Gaius Valerius Catullus (Roman, c84-c54 BC)  
Vergil (Roman, 70-19 BC) short for Publius Vergilius Maro.  
Horace (Roman, 65-8 BC)  
Livy (Roman, 59 BC - AD 17)  
Ovid (Roman, 43 BC - AD c17)  
Lucius Annaeus Seneca (Roman, c4 BC - AD 65)

Petronius (Roman, ?-66)  
Pliny the Elder (Roman, c23-79)  
Quintilian (Roman, c35-c95)  
Flavius Josephus (Hebrew, 37-c100)  
Lucan (Roman, 39-65)  
Marcus Valerius Martialis (Roman, c40-c104)  
Publius Papinius Statius (Roman, c45-c96)  
Plutarch (Greek, c45-c125)  
Epictetus (Roman?, c50-c120)  
Writers of the New Testament of the Bible (Hebrew, c55-100)  
Gaius Cornelius Tacitus (Roman, c55-c117)  
Jevenal (Roman, c60-c140)  
Pliny the Younger (Roman, c61-c113)

Lucian (Greek, c120-c190)  
Marcus Aurelius (Roman, 121-180)  
Lucius Apuleius (Roman, c125-?)

Kalidasa (Sanskrit, 4th century)  
Jerome (Roman, 345-420)  
Augustine (Roman, 354-430) short for Aurelius Augustinus.

Boethius (Roman, c480-524)

Mohammed (Arabic, 570-632)

Li Po (Chinese, 701-762)

Anonymous (English, c725), *Beowulf*

Anonymous (Icelandic, c900-c1050) *The Poetic Edda*

Abu'l Qasim Firdausi (Persian, c940-1020)

Peter Abelard (French?, 1079-1142)

Omar Khayyam (Persian, ?-c1123)

Anonymous (French, c1100) *Song of Roland*

Moses Maimonides (Spanish-Jewish, 1135-1204)

Chrétien de Troyes (French, fl. c1170)

Francis of Assisi (Italian, 1182-1226)

Marie de France (French, late 12th century)

Sa'di (Persian, 1194-c1282)

Wolfram von Eschenbach (German, fl. c1210)

Anonymous (German, c1200) *Nibelungenlied*

Thomas Aquinas (Italian, 1225-1274)

Marco Polo (Italian, c1254-c1324)

Dante Alighieri (Italian, 1265-1321)

Francesco Petrararch (Italian, 1304-1374)

Giovanni Boccaccio (Italian, 1313-1375)

John Wyclif (English, c1320-1384)

Shams-ud-din Muhammad Hafiz (Persian, 1320-1389)

Geoffrey Chaucer (English, c1340-1400)

Anonymous Author, (English, c1370), *Sir Gawain and the Green Knight*

Thomas à Kempis (German, 1380-1471)

Sir Thomas Malory (English, c1394-1471)

François Villon (French, 1431-c1462)

Count Giovanni Pico della Mirandola (Italian, 1463-1494)

Desiderius Erasmus (Dutch, c1466-1536)

Niccolò Machiavelli (Italian, 1469-1527)

Ludovico Ariosto (Italian, 1474-1533)  
Baldassare Castiglione (Italian, 1478-1529)  
Martin Luther (German, 1483-1546)  
François Rabelais (French, c1495-1553)

Benvenuto Cellini (Italian, 1500-1571)  
John Knox (Scottish, 1505-1572)  
John Calvin (French, 1509-1564)  
Teresa of Jesus (Spanish, 1515-1582)  
Luís vaz de Camoëns (Portuguese, c1524-1580)  
Pierre de Ronsard (French, 1525-1585)  
Michel Eyquem de Montaigne (French, 1533-1592)  
John of the Cross (Spanish, 1542-1591)  
Torquato Tasso (Italian, 1544-1595)  
Miguel de Cervantes Saavedra (Spanish, 1547-1616)  
Giordano Bruno (Italian, 1548-1600)  
Edmund Spenser (English, c1552-1599)  
Sir Francis Bacon (English, 1561-1626)  
Lope Félix de Vega Carpio (Spanish, 1562-1635)  
Christopher Marlowe (English, 1564-1593)  
William Shakespeare (English, 1564-1616)  
Galileo Galilei (Italian, 1564-1642)  
Ben Jonson (English, 1572-1637)  
John Donne (English, 1573-1631)  
Thomas Hobbes (English, 1588-1679)

Pedro Calderón de la Barca (Spanish, 1600-1681)  
Pierre Corneille (French, 1606-1684)  
John Milton (English, 1608-1674)  
Duke François de La Rochefoucauld (French, 1613-1680)  
Jean de La Fontaine (French, 1621-1695)  
Molière (French, 1622-1673) pseudonym of Jean Baptiste Poquelin.  
Blaise Pascal (French, 1623-1662)  
John Dryden (English, 1631-1700)  
Baruch de Spinoza (Dutch-Jewish, 1632-1677)  
John Locke (English, 1632-1704)  
Nicolas Boileau (French, 1636-1711)  
Jean Racine (French, 1639-1699)  
Jean de La Bruyère (French, 1645-1696)  
Daniel Defoe (English, c1660-1731)

Jonathan Swift (English, 1667-1745)  
Alain René Le Sage (French, 1668-1747)  
William Congreve (English, 1670-1729)  
Joseph Addison (English, 1672-1719)  
Alexander Pope (English, 1688-1744)  
Emanuel Swedenborg (Swedish, 1688-1772)  
Montesquieu (French, 1689-1755) short for Charles de Secondat, baron de la Brède et de Montesquieu.  
Voltaire (French, 1694-1778) pseudonym of François-Marie Arouet.  
Antoine-François Prévost (French, 1697-1763)

Jonathan Edwards (American, 1703-1758)  
John Wesley (English, 1703-1791)  
Benjamin Franklin (American, 1706-1790)  
Henry Fielding (English, 1707-1754)  
Carlo Goldoni (Italian, 1707-1793)  
Jean-Jacques Rousseau (French, 1712-1778)  
Laurence Sterne (English, 1713-1768)  
Denis Diderot (French, 1713-1784)  
Thomas Gray (English, 1716-1771)  
Friedrich Gottlieb Klopstock (German, 1724-1803)  
Gotthold Ephraim Lessing (German, 1729-1781)  
Pierre-Augustin Caron de Beaumarchais (French, 1732-1799)  
Thomas Paine (English, 1737-1809)  
James Boswell (English, 1740-1795)  
Thomas Jefferson (American, 1743-1826)  
Johann Gottfried Herder (German, 1744-1803)  
Vittorio Altieri (Italian, 1749-1803)  
Johann Wolfgang von Goethe (German, 1749-1832)  
Thomas Chatterton (English, 1752-1770)  
William Blake (English, 1757-1827)  
Robert Burns (Scottish, 1759-1796)  
(Johann Christian) Friedrich Schiller (German, 1759-1805)  
François-René de Chateaubriand (French, 1768-1848)  
(Johann Christian) Friedrich Hölderlin (German, 1770-1843)  
William Wordsworth (English, 1770-1850)  
Sir Walter Scott (English, 1771-1832)  
Samuel Taylor Coleridge (English, 1772-1834)  
Jane Austen (English, 1775-1817)  
Charles Lamb (English, 1775-1834)

Ernst Theodor Amadeus Hoffmann (German, 1776-1822)  
Heinrich von Kleist (German, 1777-1811)  
William Hazlitt (English, 1778-1830)  
Stendhal (French, 1783-1842) pseudonym of Henri Beyle.  
Thomas De Quincey (English, 1785-1859)  
Alessandro Manzoni (Italian, 1785-1873)  
George Noel Gordon, Lord Byron (English, 1788-1824)  
Joseph Freiherr von Eichendorff (German, 1788-1857)  
Arthur Schopenhauer (German, 1788-1860)  
James Fenimore Cooper (American, 1789-1851)  
Alphonse de Lamartine (French, 1790-1869)  
Franz Grillparzer (Austrian, 1791-1872)  
Percy Bysshe Shelley (English, 1792-1822)  
John Keats (English, 1795-1821)  
Thomas Carlyle (English, 1795-1881)  
Heinrich Heine (German, 1797-1856)  
Count Alfred de Vigny (French, 1797-1863)  
Giacomo Leopardi (Italian, 1798-1837)  
Adam Bernard Mickiewicz (Polish, 1798-1855)  
Alexander Pushkin (Russian, 1799-1837)  
Honoré de Balzac (French, 1799-1850)

Thomas Babington Macaulay (English, 1800-1859)  
Alexandre Dumas(Sr.) (French, 1802-1870)  
Victor Hugo (French, 1802-1885)  
Ralph Waldo Emerson (American, 1803-1882)  
Nathaniel Hawthorne (American, 1804-1864)  
Charles Augustin Sainte-Beuve (French, 1804-1869)  
Eduard Mörike (German, 1804-1874)  
George Sand (French, 1804-1876) pseudonym of Amandine Aurore Dupin.  
Hans Christian Andersen (Danish, 1805-1875)  
Elizabeth Barrett Browning (English, 1806-1861)  
Henry Wadsworth Longfellow (American, 1807-1882)  
Edgar Allan Poe (American, 1809-1849)  
Nikolay Vasilevich Gogol (Russian, 1809-1852)  
Abraham Lincoln (American, 1809-1865)  
Charles Darwin (English, 1809-1882)  
Alfred, Lord Tennyson (English, 1809-1892)  
Alfred de Musset (French, 1810-1857)  
William Makepeace Thackeray (English, 1811-1863)

Théophile Gautier (French, 1811-1872)  
Charles Dickens (English, 1812-1870)  
Robert Browning (English, 1812-1889)  
Søren Kierkegaard (Danish, 1813-1855)  
(Christian) Friedrich Hebbel (German, 1813-1863)  
Charlotte Brontë (English, 1816-1855)  
Henry David Thoreau (American, 1817-1862)  
Emily Brontë (English, 1818-1848)  
(Heinrich) Karl Marx (German, 1818-1883)  
Ivan Sergeyevich Turgenev (Russian, 1818-1883)  
George Eliot (English, 1819-1880) pseudonym for Mary Ann Evans.  
Herman Melville (American, 1819-1891)  
Walt Whitman (American, 1819-1892)  
John Ruskin (English, 1819-1900)  
Anne Brontë (English, 1820-1849)  
Pierre Charles Baudelaire (French, 1821-1867)  
Gustave Flaubert (French, 1821-1880)  
Fyodor Dostoevski (Russian, 1821-1881)  
Matthew Arnold (English, 1822-1888)  
Ernest Renan (French, 1823-1892)  
Alexandre Dumas(Jr.) (French, 1824-1895)  
Dante Gabriel Rossetti (English, 1828-1882)  
Henrik Ibsen (Norwegian, 1828-1906)  
Count Leo (Lev Nikolaevich) Tolstoy (Russian, 1828-1910)  
Emily Dickenson (American, 1830-1886)  
Lewis Carroll (English, 1832-1898) pseudonym of Charles Lutwidge Dodgson.  
William Morris (English, 1834-1896)  
Giosuè Carducci (Italian, 1835-1907)  
Mark Twain (American, 1835-1910) pseudonym of Samuel Langhorne Clemens.  
Algernon Charles Swinburne (English, 1837-1909)  
William Dean Howells (American, 1837-1920)  
Alphonse Daudet (French, 1840-1897)  
Emile Zola (French, 1840-1902)  
Giovanni Verga (Italian, 1840-1922)  
Thomas Hardy (English, 1840-1928)  
Stéphane Mallarmé (French, 1842-1898)  
William James (American, 1842-1910)  
Henry James (American, 1843-1916)  
Gerard Manly Hopkins (English, 1844-1889)  
Paul Verlaine (French, 1844-1896)

Friedrich Wilhelm Nietzsche (German, 1844-1900)  
Anatole France (French, 1844-1924) pseudonym of Jacques-Anatole Thibault.  
Zacharias Topelius and Elias Lönnrot (Finnish, pub. 1849) *The Kalevala* - A Finnish folk epic collected from the songs of Finnish peasants.  
August Strindberg (Swedish, 1849-1912)  
Guy de Maupassant (French, 1850-1893)  
Jean Arthur Rimbaud (French, 1854-1891)  
Oscar Wilde (English, 1854-1900) pseudonym of Fingal O'Flahertie Wills.  
Sir James Frazier (English, 1854-1941)  
A.E. Housman (English, 1856-1936) initials for Alfred Edward.  
Sigmund Freud (Austrian, 1856-1939)  
George Bernard Shaw (English, 1856-1950)  
Joseph Conrad (English, 1857-1924)  
Henri Bergson (French, 1859-1941)  
Anton Pavlovich Chekhov (Russian, 1860-1904)  
Gerhart Hauptmann (German, 1862-1946)  
Maurice Maeterlinck (Belgian, 1862-1949)  
Gabriele D'Annunzio (Italian, 1863-1938)  
(Joseph) Rudyard Kipling (English, 1865-1936)  
William Butler Yeats (English, 1865-1939)  
Romain Rolland (French, 1866-1944)  
H.G. Wells (English, 1866-1946) initials for Herbert George.  
John Galsworthy (English, 1867-1933)  
Luigi Pirandello (Italian, 1867-1936)  
Maxim Gorky (Russian, 1868-1936) pseudonym of Aleksei Peshkov.  
André Paul Guillaume Gide (French, 1869-1951)  
Stephen Crane (American, 1871-1900)  
John Millington Synge (Irish, 1871-1909)  
Marcel Proust (French, 1871-1922)  
Theodore Dreiser (American, 1871-1945)  
Alfred Jarry (French, 1873-1907)  
Willa Cather (American, 1873-1947)  
G.K. Chesterton (English, 1874-1936)  
Gertrude Stein (American, 1874-1946)  
Robert Frost (American, 1874-1963)  
Rainer Maria Rilke (German, 1875-1926)  
Thomas Mann (German, 1875-1955)  
Carl Jung (?, 1875-1961)  
Jack London (American, 1876-1916)  
Hermann Hesse (German, 1877-1962)

E.M. Forster (English, 1879-1970) initials for Edward Morgan.  
Guillaume Apollinaire (French, 1880-1918), pseudonym of William Apollinaris de Kostrowitsky.  
Sean O'Casey (Irish, 1880-1964)  
James Joyce (Irish, 1882-1941)  
Virginia Woolf (English, 1882-1941)  
Jean Giraudoux (French, 1882-1944)  
Franz Kafka (German, 1883-1924)  
D.H. Lawrence (English, 1885-1930) initials for David Herbert.  
Sinclair Lewis (American, 1885-1951)  
Ezra Pound (American, 1885-1972)  
Edwin Muir (Scottish, 1887-1959)  
Eugene (Gladstone) O'Neill (American, 1888-1953)  
T.S. Eliot (English, 1888-1965) initials for Thomas Stearns.  
S.Y. Agnon (Israeli, 1888-1970), pseudonym of Shmuel Yosef Czaczkes.  
Boris Leonidovich Pasternak (Russian, 1890-1960)  
J.R.R. Tolkien (English, 1892-1973) initials for John Ronald Reuel.  
François Mauriac (French, 1895-1970)  
F. Scott Fitzgerald (American, 1896-1940)  
William Faulkner (American, 1897-1962)  
Thornton Niven Wilder (American, 1897-1975)  
Bertolt Brecht (German, 1898-1956)  
Ernest Hemingway (American, 1898-1961)  
C.S. Lewis (English, 1898-1963) initials for Clive Staples.  
Federico García Lorca (Spanish, 1899-1936)  
Yasunari Kawabata (Japanese, 1899-1972)

George Seferis (Greek, 1900-1971)  
Vladimir Nabokov (Russian-American, 1900-1977)  
John Steinbeck (American, 1902-1968)  
Jean-Paul Sartre (French, 1905-1980)  
Robert Penn Warren (American, 1905-1989)  
Samuel Beckett (Irish, 1906-1989)  
W.H. Auden (English, 1907-1973) initials for Wystan Hugh.  
Jean Anouilh (French, 1910-1987)  
Eugène Ionesco (French, 1912-1994)  
Albert Camus (French, 1913-1960)  
Dylan Thomas (English, 1914-1953)  
Tennessee Williams (American, 1914-1983) pseudonym of Thomas Lanier Williams.  
Arthur Miller (American, 1915- )  
Robert Lowell (American, 1917-1977)

Aleksander I. Solzhenitsyn (Russian, 1918- )  
Yukio Mishima (Japanese, 1925-1970)  
Edward Albee (American, 1928- )  
John Osborne (English, 1930-1994)  
Harold Pinter (English, 1930- )  
Yeveny Alexandrovich Yevtushenko (Russian, 1933- )  
LeRoi Jones (American, 1934- ) adopted the name of Amiri Baraka.

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