

Hist 1111

World History to 1500

Recommended Primary Documents for the Writing Assignment

Note: all primary documents listed below are contained within in the following books, each of which can be checked out for **two hours** from the GPC library circulation desk.

Peter N. Stearns, Senior Editor, Stephen S. Gosch, Jay Pascal Anglin, Erwin P. Grieshaber, eds., Documents in World History Vol 1: The Great Traditions; From Ancient Times to 1500. New York: Harper and Row Publishers, 1988. (On reserve at the front {circulation} desk in the Dunwoody Library).

Kevin Reilly, Worlds of History: A Comparative Reader, Volume One: to 1550. Boston and New York: St. Martin's Press, 2000.
(On reserve at the front {circulation} desk in the Dunwoody Library).

Peter Stearns, Stephen S. Gosch and Erwin Grieshaber, eds., Documents in World History: Vol. 1, The Great Traditions: From Ancient Times to 1500, 3rd edition. New York and San Francisco: Addison-Wesley Educational Publishers Inc., 2003.
(On reserve at the front {circulation} desk in the Dunwoody Library).

Listed below are the recommended primary document pairs for this paper. These are suggestions for various primary documents that can be paired together for this paper. They are each listed in the correct order for analysis. **Only the titles of the documents are listed below, not complete citations. It is expected that the student will be responsible for properly citing the documents chosen for the paper. To find examples of how to properly cite these documents, be sure to consult the Writing Assignment Handout (click on link on my webpage).**

The Fertile Crescent

“Epic of Gilgamesh” (Reilly, #10-use only pp. 64-67, “The Story of the Flood”);
“The Bible: Genesis, Chapters 6-9.” To find these chapters, go to this website:
biblegateway.com/versions/?action=getVersionInfo&vid=49
Go to Genesis, and download a copy of Chapters 6, 7, 8, 9.

“Babylonian Law: How a Civilized State Regulated Its Subjects” (Stearns, Chap. 2)
“Judaism” (Stearns, Chap. 4)

The Code (of Hammurabi) (Stearns, 3rd ed., Chap. 2);
II. Hebrew Law (Stearns, 3rd ed., Chap. 4)

Ancient India

Caste and Moral Duty in Classical India: The Gita, Chapter 1 (Stearns, Chap. 11)
The Four Noble Truths of Buddhism (Stearns, Chap. 9)

“From the Upanishads: Karma and Reincarnation” (Reilly, #15);
“From the Bhagavad Gita: Caste and Self” (Reilly, #17)

“From the Upanishads: Brahman and Atman” (Reilly, #16);
“From the Bhagavad Gita: Caste and Self” (Reilly, #17)

“Svetasvatara Upanishad” (Reilly, #28);
“From the Bhagavad Gita: Caste and Self” (Reilly, #17)

“From the Upanishads: Karma and Reincarnation,” (Reilly, #15);
“Svetasvatara Upanishad” (Reilly, #28)

“From the Bhagavad Gita: Caste and Self” (Reilly, #17);
“Buddhism and Caste” (Reilly, #31)

Four Noble Truths (Stearns, 3rd ed., Chap. 11);
Ashoka’s Edicts (Stearns, 3rd ed., Chap. 13)

The Arthashastra (Stearns, 3rd ed., Chap. 12);
Ashoka’s Edicts (Stearns, 3rd ed., Chap. 13)

Ancient China

Key Chinese Values: Confucianism (Stearns, Chap. 5)
Legalism: An Alternative System (Stearns, Chap. 6)

The Small Analects (Stearns, 3rd ed., Chap. 5)
Han Feizi (Stearns, 3rd ed., Chap. 6)
(note: Han Feizi was an advocate of the philosophy of Legalism)

The Small Analects (Stearns, Chap. 5)

Dao De Jing (Stearns, Chap. 7)

Political Philosophy

Legalism: An Alternative System (Stearns, Chap. 6)

State and Society in Classical India (Stearns, Chap. 10)

Han Feizi (Stearns, 3rd ed., Chap. 6)

The Arthashastra (Stearns, 3rd ed., Chap. 12)

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Plutarch's "Precepts" (Stearns, 3rd ed., Chap. 18)

Ancient Greece

I. Sparta (Stearns, Chap. 13)

II. Periclean Athens (Stearns, Chap. 13)

Plutarch On Sparta (Stearns, 3rd ed., Chap. 15);

Pericles' Funeral Oration (Stearns, 3rd ed., ed Chap. 16)

Ancient Rome

"Plutarch, Cicero" (Reilly, #25);

"Suetonius, Augustus" (Reilly, #27)

"Cicero, Against Verres" (Reilly, #26);

"Plutarch, Cicero" (Reilly, #25)

The Spread of Christianity

"Paul, From the Acts of the Apostles" (Reilly, #36);

"Pliny, Pliny Consults the Emperor Trajan" (Reilly, #37: note
Includes "Trajan's reply to Pliny")

“Eusebius, From the Life of Constantine” (Reilly, #38);
“Willibald, Life of Boniface: Converting the Hessians” (Reilly, #66)

“Willibald, Life of Boniface: Converting the Hessians” (Reilly, #66);
Russian Primary Chronicle (Stearns, 3rd ed., Chap. 34)

Islam

Islam Comes to India: (Two Views) Stearns, Chap. 26
Note this one chapter contains **both** documents needed to write the paper:

- I. A Raid by Mahmud of Ghazni
- II. A Delhi Sultan Fights the Mongols

The Koran (Stearns, 3rd ed., Chap. 26);
The Hadith (Stearns, 3rd ed., Chap. 27)

Africa

Al Bakri on West Africa (Stearns, 3rd ed., Chap.40);
Ibn Battuta African Kingdoms and Islam (Stearns, 3rd ed., Chap. 41)

Al Bakri on West Africa (Stearns, 3rd ed., Chap.40);
“Al Omari, Mali in the Fourteenth Century” (Reilly, #85)

Ibn Battuta: African Kingdoms and Islam (Stearns, 3rd ed., Chap. 41)
“Al Omari, Mali in the Fourteenth Century” (Reilly, #85)

The Role of Women

Savatri and the God of Death (Stearns, Chap. 12)
Lessons for Women (includes the Introduction-through chap. 5)- (Stearns, Chap. 8)

Lessons for Women (includes the Introduction-through chap. 5)- (Stearns, Chap. 8)
The Koran and the Family: Women (Stearns, Chap. 17)

Lessons for Women (includes the Introduction-through chap. 5)- (Stearns, Chap. 8)
An Uncommon Woman in Sung China (Stearns, Chap. 22)

Lessons for Women (Stearns, 3rd ed., Chap. 8)
Savatri and the God of Death (Stearns, 3rd ed., Chap. 14)

Love and Courtship

“Murasaki Shikibu, From the Tale of Genji” (Reilly, #54)
“Sei Shonagon, From the Pillow Book” (Reilly, #55)

“Li Ch’ing-Chao, A Wife’s Collection” (Reilly, #53);
“Sei Shonagon, From the Pillow Book” (Reilly, #55)

“Li Ch’ing-Chao, A Wife’s Collection” (Reilly, # 53);
“Andreas Capellanus, From the Art of Courtly Love” (Reilly #57)

“Murasaki Shikibu, From the Tale of Genji” (Reilly, #54)
“Andreas Capellanus, From the Art of Courtly Love” (Reilly, #57)

“Sei Shonagon, From the Pillow Book” (Reilly, #55)
“Andreas Capellanus, From the Art of Courtly Love” (Reilly #57)

Travel Accounts

Indian Society in the Seventh Century: The View of a Chinese Traveler (Stearns, Chap. 25)
“The Noble and Magnificent City of Hangchow”: Marco Polo in China (Stearns, Chap. 23)

“Marco Polo, From the Travels of Marco Polo” (Reilly, #81);
“Al Omari, Mali in the Fourteenth Century” (Reilly, #85)

“Marco Polo, From the Travels of Marco Polo” (Reilly, #81);

“Gregorio Dati, Corporations and Community in Florence” (Reilly, # 80)

“Al Omari, Mali in the Fourteenth Century” (Reilly, #85);

“Gregori Dati, Corporations and Community in Florence (Reilly, #80).

Willibald’s Journey to Jerusalem, 721-727;

Ibn Jubayr in Mecca, 1183-1184

(both in Stearns, 3rd ed., Chap. 46)

Ibn Jubayr in Mecca, 1183-1184

Mansa Musa: A West African Monarch on Pilgrimage, 1324

(both in Stearns, 3rd ed., Chap. 46)

Merchants and Traders

A Muslim View: Ibn Khaldun;

A Christian View: Reginald of Durham on Saint Godric

(both in Stearns, 3rd ed., Chap. 45)

The Mongols

“From the Secret History of the Mongols” (Reilly, #74);

“John of Plano Carpini, From the History of the Mongols” (Reilly, #75)

“John of Plano Carpini, From the History of the Mongols” (Reilly, #75);

“William of Rubrick, “From the Journey of William Rubrick” (Reilly, #77)

The Destruction of Bukhara, 1220;

The Battle of Kuju, 1231

(both in Stearns, 3rd ed., Chap. 50)

The Destruction of Bukhara, 1220;

Conquest of the Russian Cities

(both in Stearns, 3rd ed., Chap. 50)

The Battle of Kuju, 1231

Conquest of the Russian Cities

(both in Stearns, 3rd ed., Chap. 50)

The Crusades

Ekkehard, C. 1102;

Beh-el-din, Official in Jerusalem

(both in Stearns, 3rd ed., Chap. 48)

Ekkehard, C. 1102;

Usamah ibn-Munqidh

(both in Stearns, 3rd ed., Chap. 48)

“William of Tyre, Peter the Hermit” (Reilly, #60);

“Robert the Monk, Pope Urban II’s Call to the First Crusade” (Reilly, #61);

“Anna Comena, From the Alexiad” (Reilly, #59);

“Solomon Bar Simson, Chronicle of Solomon Bar Simson” (Reilly, #62)

“Anna Comena, From the Alexiad” (Reilly, # 59);

“Count Stephen of Blois, Letter from Antioch” (Reilly, #63)

“Raymond of St. Giles, Count of Toulouse, The Capture of Jerusalem by the Crusaders”
(Reilly, #64);

Usamah ibn-Munqidh (Stearns, 3rd ed., Chap. 48)

