

Timeline

1600

Cardinal Richelieu, advisor to Louis XIII, consolidates power of king, 1624-42
Cardinal Mazarin governs France during the minority of Louis XIV, 1643-61
Cervantes, *Don Quixote*, 1605-1615
Galileo (1564-1642) invents telescope, 1609; establishes scientific method
Harvard College founded, 1636
Royal Academy of Paris founded, 1648
Bernini, *David*
Rembrandt, *Night Watch*

1650

Louis XIV absolute ruler of France (ruled 1661-1715); revokes edict of Nantes, 1685
Milton, *Paradise Lost*, 1667
Velasquez, *Maids of Honor*
Bernini, Model for equestrian statue of Louis XIV

1700

Peter the Great (r. 1682-1725) westernizes Russia, defeats Sweden
Louis XV comes of age, 1723
Defoe, *Robinson Crusoe*, 1719
Swift, *Gulliver's Travels*, 1726
Pompeii and Herculaneum discovered 1745
Hogarth, *Rake's Progress*

1750

Seven Year's War (1756-63): England and Prussia versus Austria and France, also called French and Indian War; France defeated in the battle of Quebec, 1769
Louis XVI becomes king, 1774
Voltaire, *Candide*, 1759
Benjamin Franklin experiments with electricity, 1750
Diderot, *Encyclopedia*, 1751-72
Rousseau, *Social Contract* and *Emile*, 1762
Greuze, *The Village Bride*
West, *Death of General Wolfe*
Fragonard, *Bathers*
Vigée-Lebrun, *Duchesse de Polignac*
Gainsborough, *Mrs. Siddons*

1775

American Revolution, 1775-85
Constitution adopted, 1789
French Revolution, 1789-1802; Louis XVI

beheaded, Reign of Terror under Robespierre, 1793
Consulate of Napoleon, 1799-1804
Kant, *Critique of Pure Reason*, 1781
Power loom, 1785; cotton gin, 1793
Jefferson, Monticello, Charlottesville
David, *Death of Socrates*
David, *Death of Marat*

1800

Napoleon (1769-1821) crowns himself emperor, 1804; fails in Russian campaign, 1812; exiled to Elba, 1814; defeated at Waterloo, exiled to St. Helena, 1815
War of 1812
Monroe Doctrine proclaimed by the United States, 1823
Lewis and Clark expedition to Pacific, 1803-06
Goethe, *Faust: Part I*, 1808; *Part II*, 1833
Stephenson's first steam locomotive, 1814
Latrobe, Catholic Cathedral, Baltimore
Goya, *Third of May...1808*
Delacroix, *Massacre at Chios*

1825

July Revolution of 1830 in France
Famine in Ireland, mass emigration, 1845
Marx and Engels, *Communist Manifesto*, 1848
Gold discovered in California, 1848
First railroad in England, 1825; in U.S., 1829
Dickens, *Oliver Twist*, 1838
Dumas, *The Three Musketeers*, 1844
Poe, *The Raven and Other Poems*, 1845
Turner, *Slave Ship*
Courbet, *Stone Breakers*
Delacroix, *Odalisque*

1850

Louis Napoleon takes title of Napoleon III, 1852
Civil War (1861-65) ends slavery in U.S.; Lincoln assassinated, 1865
Stowe, *Uncle Tom's Cabin*, 1851
Darwin, *Origin of Species*, 1859
Victor Hugo, *Les Misérables*, 1862
Lewis Carroll, *Alice in Wonderland*, 1865
Manet, *Luncheon on the Grass*
Whistler, *The Artist's Mother*

1875

Spanish-American War 1898; U.S. gains Philippines, Guam, Puerto Rico, annexes Hawaii
Bell patents the telephone, 1876

Mark Twain, *Tom Sawyer*, 1876
Henry James, *Portrait of a Lady*, 1881
Renoir, *Moulin del la Galette*
Degas, *Glass of Absinthe*
Cézanne, *Mont Sainte-Victoire*
Van Gogh, *Self-Portrait*
Cassatt, *The Bath*

1900

First World War, 1914-18; U.S. enters, 1917
Bolshevik Revolution in Russia, 1917
Adolf Hitler writes *Mein Kampf*, 1924
D.H. Lawrence, *Sons and Lovers*, 1913
James Joyce, *Ulysses*, 1914-21
Matisse, *Joy of Life*
Picasso, *Les demoiselles d'Avignon*
O'Keeffe, *Black Iris III*

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