

Detailed reading assignments, first week.

The readings on Plato will be from his dialogue The Republic in the Ultimate Anthology Kindle book. We will read two passages. The page numbers in parentheses are the numbers shown in the margin of many printed editions of Plato. The location numbers refer to the Kindle book:

Tuesday

Republic Book I

From "I went down yesterday to the Piraeus" (327a) 161905 to "we are old friends, and you will be quite at home with us" (328d) 161945.

From "What do you consider to be the greatest blessing" (330d) 161983 to "I have to look after the sacrifices" (331d) 162007

From "what did Simonides say" (331d) 162012 to "the injuring of another can be in no case just" (335d) 162199.

Wednesday

Republic Book VII

From "And now, I said, let me show" (514a) 167213 to "true, he said, I had forgotten" (520a) 167355.

From "what is the nature and what are the divisions of dialectic" (532d) 167745 to "why should we dispute about names" (533d) 167766.

Aristotle Nicomachean Ethics from The Complete Aristotle on Kindle. Numbers in parentheses are then 'Bekker page numbers' used in many print editions of Aristotle. The numbers outside parentheses are Kindle locations

Thursday very short readings:

Prior Analytics from "We must first state the subject" (24a) 1136 to "will be stated accurately in the sequel" (24b) 1152 on what is logic

Physics from "When the objects of an inquiry" (184a) 7695 to "distinguishes each of them" (184b) 7706 on inquiry.

Metaphysics from "All men by nature desire to know" 28989 to "science and art come to men by experience" 28999.

On the Generation of Animals "There are four causes underlying everything" (715a) 26364 to "arranging the discussion of these parts last" (715a) 26374.

Friday, Nicomachean Ethics on ethics and friendship:

From Book I "Let us, however, resume" () 33428 to "Let us leave this subject, then" () 33444 on what is the good life.

From Book VIII "discussion of friendship" () 35659 to "each man wishes what is good" () 35818.