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<b>Adorno</b>	<b>Theodor</b>	<i>Negative Dialectics</i>	Introduction	<b>3-44</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>186</b>	C	Frankfurt School
		<i>Aesthetic Theory</i>	Art, Society, and Aesthetics; Situation; Enigmaticalness; Toward a Theory of the Artwork	<b>1-44; 118-36; 175-99</b>	<b>89</b>			
	<b>w/Max Horkheimer</b>	<i>Dialectic of Enlightenment</i>	Introduction	<b>Xi-xvii</b>	<b>7</b>			
			The Culture Industry: Enlightenment as Mass Deception	<b>120-167</b>	<b>48</b>			
<b>Ahmed</b>	<b>Sara</b>	<i>Strange Encounters: Embodied Others in Post-coloniality</i>	Part II	<b>75-134</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>59</b>	B	Postcolonial; Affect Theory
<b>Althusser</b>	<b>Louis</b>	<i>Essays on Ideology</i>	Ideology and Ideological State Apparatuses	<b>1-60</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>60</b>	C	Post-structuralist
<b>Appadurai</b>	<b>Arjun</b>	<i>Modernity at Large: Cultural Dimensions of Globalization</i>	Disjuncture and Difference in the Global Cultural Economy	<b>27-47</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>62</b>	B	Post-modernist; Postcolonial
			Global Ethnoscapes: Notes and Queries for a Transnational Anthropology	<b>48-65</b>	<b>18</b>			
			The Production of Locality	<b>178-200</b>	<b>23</b>			
<b>Arendt</b>	<b>Hannah</b>	<i>Eichmann in Jerusalem: A Report on the Banality of Evil</i>	Epilogue and Postscript	<b>253-298</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>116</b>	C	Modernist
		<i>The Origins of Totalitarianism</i>	Chapter 11	<b>341-388</b>	<b>48</b>			
		<i>The Human Condition</i>	1958 Edition, Ch. 1, part of ch. 2: pages 7-28	<b>7-28</b>	<b>22</b>			
<b>Aristotle</b>		<i>The Basic Works of Aristotle</i>	<i>Categories</i> 1-5, 12-13	<b>7-14, 34-37</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>242</b>	A	Ancient Greek
			<i>Metaphysics</i> i 1-4, 6-9; ii 1; iv 1-6; v 7-8; vii; viii 1-3; ix 1-7; xii 6-10; xiii 10 (1-21, 54-78, 79, 111-125, 179-185, 211-225, 226-232, 252-277, 364-389)	<b>689-698, 700-711, 712-717, 731-749, 760-761, 783-816, 820-828, 877-888, 910-911</b>	<b>106</b>			
			<i>Nicomachean Ethics</i> i 1-13; ii 1-6; iii 1-7; v 1-2, 7, 10; vi 1-3, 5-8, 12-13 (1-33, 34-47, 58-84, 136-143, 163-64, 174-75, 180-184, 186-194)	<b>935-959, 964-977, 1002-1006, 1014-1015, 1019-1020, 1022-1025, 1026-1030</b>	<b>57</b>			
			<i>Politics</i> i 1-6; ii 1-5; iii 1, 4, 6-12; iv 1, 3, 11; v 1, 8, 9; vii 1-3, 8-9, 13, 15 (25-37, 54-68, 100-2, 105-9, 112-127, 145-47, 149-51, 167-71, 187-90, 208-16, 257-65, 272-76, 283-86, 291-93)	<b>1127-1135, 1146-1154, 1176-1178, 1180-1182, 1184-1194, 1205-1206, 1208-1209, 1220-1222, 1232-1234,</b>	<b>67</b>			

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<b>Badiou</b>	<b>Alain</b>	<i>Being and Event</i>	Parts I, V	<b>23-80, 201-265</b>	123	<b>123</b>	A	Post-postmodernist
<b>Bakhtin</b>	<b>Mikhail</b>	<i>Bakhtinian Thought: An Introductory Reader</i>	The hero's monologic discourse and narrational discourse in Dostoevsky's short novels	<b>157-194</b>	38	<b>97</b>	C	Marxist
			Heteroglossia in the novel	<b>195-224</b>	30			
			The grotesque image of the body and its sources	<b>225-253</b>	29			
<b>Barthes</b>	<b>Roland</b>	<i>The Pleasure of the Text</i>	entire	<b>3-83</b>	81	<b>93</b>	C	Semiotics
		<i>Image-Music-Text</i>	The Death of the Author	<b>142-148</b>	7			
			Change the Object Itself: Mythology today	<b>165-169</b>	5			
<b>Bataille</b>	<b>Georges</b>	<i>Visions of Excess: Selected Writings, 1927-1939</i>	The Big Toe	<b>20-23</b>	4	<b>73</b>	A	Surrealist
			Base Materialism and Gnosticism	<b>45-52</b>	8			
			Sacrificial Mutilation and the Severed Ear of Vincent Van Gogh	<b>61-72</b>	12			
			The Psychological Structure of Fascism	<b>137-160</b>	24			
		<i>The Accursed Share, volume I</i>	Theoretical Introduction	<b>17-41</b>	25			
<b>Baudrillard</b>	<b>Jean</b>	<i>The Consumer Society: Myths and Structures</i>	Conclusion: On Contemporary Alienation, or the End of the Pact with the Devil	<b>187-196</b>	10	<b>73</b>	A	Post-structuralist
		<i>For a Critique of the Political Economy of the Sign</i>	Towards a Critique of the Political Economy of the Sign	<b>143-163</b>	21			
		<i>Simulacra and Simulation</i>	The Precession of Simulacra	<b>1-42</b>	42			
<b>de Beauvoir</b>	<b>Simone</b>	<i>The Ethics of Ambiguity</i>	Ambiguity and Freedom; Personal Freedom and Others	<b>7-73</b>	67	<b>114</b>	C	Existentialist
		<i>The Second Sex</i>	Introduction; Chapter 12	<b>23-39; 773-801</b>	47			Feminist
<b>Benjamin</b>	<b>Walter</b>	<i>Illuminations</i>	The Storyteller	<b>83-109</b>	27	<b>124</b>	C	Frankfurt School
			The Work of Art in the Age of Mechanical Reproduction	<b>217-251</b>	35			
			Theses on the Philosophy of History	<b>253-264</b>	12			
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		<i>Selected Writings: Vol 1 (1913-26)</i>	On Language as Such	62-74	13			
Bergson	Henri	<i>Matter and Memory</i>	Chapter 4, Summary and Conclusion	233-98; 299-332	100	233	A	Existentialist
		<i>Creative Evolution</i>	Selections from Chapters 2-3 (Dover 1998/Henry Holt 1911 edition)	99-185; 226-271	133			
Blanchot	Maurice	<i>The Work of Fire</i>	Literature and the Right to Death	300-344	45	77	A	Literary criticism
		<i>The Space of Literature</i>	The Essential Solitude	251-253	3			
			Death as Possibility	87-107	21			
			The Outside, the Night	163-170	8			
Bloch	Ernst		‘Nonsynchronism and the Obligation to Its Dialectics’, <i>New German Critique</i> , No. 11 (Spring, 1977)	22-38	17	51	B	Marxist
		<i>The Principle of Hope: Vol. 1</i>	‘Introduction’	3-18	16			
		<i>The Utopian Function of Art and Literature: Selected Essays</i>	‘Something’s missing: a discussion between Ernst Bloch and Theodor W. Adorno on the contradictions of utopian longing’	1-17	18			
Bourdieu	Pierre	<i>Outline of a Theory of Practice</i>	Structures and the Habitus	72-95	24	112	B	Modernist
		<i>Distinction</i>	Introduction; The Habitus and the Space of Life-Styles; The Dynamics of the Fields	169-256	88			
Butler	Judith	<i>Bodies that Matter</i>	Introduction	1-23	23	118	A	Post-structuralist
		<i>Gender Trouble</i>	Chapter 1, and “From Interiority to Gender Performatives” (end of Ch. 3 section IV) + Conclusion	1-44, 171-190	64			
		<i>Precarious Life: The Power of Mourning and Violence</i>	Violence, Mourning, Politics	19-49	31		A	Queer Theory
Chakrabarty	Dipesh	<i>“The Climate of History: Four Theses”</i>	Critical Inquiry, Winter 2009	197-222	25	25	C	Social Theory
Chow	Rey	<i>The Protestant Ethic and the Spirit of Capitalism</i>	Introduction, chapters 1, 5, and postscript	1-49, 153-192	89	89	C	Critical race theory
Coulthard	Glen	<i>Red Skin, White Masks: Rejecting the Colonial Politics of Recognition</i>	Chapter 1	25-50	26	26	B	Indigenous Critical Theory
Deleuze	Gilles	<i>The Logic of Sense</i>	Series 1, 2, 5, 13, 15, 21, 31	1-3, 4-11, 28-35, 82-93, 100-108,	53	237	A	Post-structuralist

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			Conclusion	<b>262-304</b>	43			
	<b>w/Felix Guattari</b>	<i>Anti-Oedipus</i>	Desiring Machines	<b>1-50</b>	50			Post-structuralist
		<i>A Thousand Plateaus</i>	Introduction: Rhizome	<b>3-25</b>	23			
<b>Derrida</b>	<b>Jacques</b>	<i>Of Grammatology</i>	Exergue & Section I: Writing Before the Letter	<b>3-73</b>	71	<b>219</b>	A	Deconstructionism
			That Dangerous Supplement	<b>141-164</b>	24			
		<i>Writing and Difference</i>	Freud and the Scene of Writing	<b>196-231</b>	36			
		<i>Margins of Philosophy</i>	Différance	<b>1-28</b>	28			
		<i>Specters of Marx</i>	Injunctions of Marx	<b>1-60</b>	60			
<b>De Saussure</b>	<b>Ferdinand</b>	<i>Course in General Linguistics</i>	Part I, Chapter 1; Part II, Chapters 4-5	<b>75-81, 131-148</b>	25	<b>25</b>	A	Structuralist
<b>Descartes</b>	<b>René</b>	<i>Discourse on Method</i>	Entire	<b>111-151</b>	41	<b>103</b>	A	
		<i>Meditations on First Philosophy</i>	Entire	<b>1-62</b>	62			
<b>Edelman</b>	<b>Lee</b>	<i>Queer Studies Reader</i>	"The Future is Kid Stuff"	<b>287-298</b>	12	<b>12</b>	C	Queer Theory
<b>Fanon</b>	<b>Frantz</b>	<i>Black Skin, White Masks</i>	The Fact of Blackness	<b>82-108</b>	27	<b>63</b>	C	Anti-colonial
		<i>The Wretched of the Earth</i>	On National Culture	<b>145-180</b>	36			
<b>Foucault</b>	<b>Michel</b>	<i>The Order of Things: An Archaeology of the Human Sciences</i>	Preface	<b>xv-xxiv</b>	10	<b>197</b>	C	Post-structuralist
			Las Meninas	<b>3-16</b>	14			
			Man and His Doubles	<b>303-343</b>	41			
			The Human Sciences	<b>344-387</b>	44			
		<i>The Archaeology of Knowledge and 'the Discourse on Language'</i>	Archaeology and the History of Ideas	<b>135-140</b>	6			
		<i>Discipline and Punish</i>	Panopticism	<b>195-228</b>	34			
		<i>The History of Sexuality, volume I: An Introduction</i>	We Other Victorians	<b>1-13</b>	13			
			The Repressive Hypothesis	<b>15-49</b>	35			
<b>Freud</b>	<b>Sigmund</b>	<i>On Murder, Mourning and Melancholia</i>	Mourning and Melancholia	<b>201-218</b>	18	<b>241</b>	A	Psychoanalysis

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<b>Geertz</b>	<b>Clifford</b>	<i>The Interpretation of Cultures</i>	Thick Description: Toward an Interpretive Theory of Culture	<b>3-30</b>	28	<b>112</b>	B	Post-structuralist
			Ideology as a Cultural System	<b>193-233</b>	41			
			Deep Play: Notes on the Balinese Cockfight	<b>412-454</b>	43			
<b>Glissant</b>	<b>Édouard</b>	<i>Poetics of Relation</i>		<b>1-42, 89-130</b>	84	<b>84</b>	A	Post-Colonial
<b>Goldman</b>	<b>Emma</b>	<i>Anarchism and Other Essays</i>	Anarchism: What it Really Stands For, Minorities vs. Majorities, and Marriage & Love	<b>38-53; 62-84; 174-83</b>	47	<b>47</b>	C	Anarchism
<b>Gramsci</b>	<b>Antonio</b>	<i>A Gramsci Reader: Selected Writings, 1916-1935</i>	Hegemony, Relations of Force, Historical Bloc	<b>189-221</b>	33	<b>58</b>	C	Marxist
			American Fordism	<b>275-299</b>	25			
<b>Habermas</b>	<b>Jürgen</b>	<i>Communication and the Evolution of Society</i>	"Introduction: Preliminary Demarcation of the Category of Bourgeois Public Sphere"	<b>1-26</b>	26	<b>115</b>	B	Frankfurt School
			Legitimation Problems in the Modern State	<b>178-206</b>	29			
		<i>Theory of Communicative Action vol.1.</i>	"From Lukacs to Adorno: Rationalization as Reification"	<b>339-99</b>	60			
<b>Hall</b>	<b>Stuart</b>	<i>Representation: Cultural Representations and Signifying Practices</i>	The Work of Representation	<b>13-74</b>	62	<b>141</b>	C	Cultural studies
			The Spectacle of the 'Other'	<b>223-290</b>	68			
		<i>Culture, Media, Language: Working Papers in Cultural Studies</i>	Encoding/decoding	<b>117-127</b>	11			
<b>Haraway</b>	<b>Donna</b>	<i>Simians, Cyborgs and Women: The Reinvention of Nature</i>	'Cyborg Manifesto'	<b>149-182</b>	34	<b>34</b>	C	Feminist
<b>Harvey</b>	<b>David</b>	<i>The Condition of Postmodernity</i>	Chapters 6, 12-14, and Part IV	<b>113-120, 201-239, 327-359</b>	80	<b>80</b>	B	Post-modernist
<b>Hegel</b>	<b>Georg Wilhelm Friedrich</b>	<i>The Phenomenology of Spirit</i>	Preface	<b>1-45</b>	45	<b>202</b>	A	Enlightenment
			Self-Consciousness	<b>104-138</b>	35			
		<i>The Philosophy of History</i>	Introduction (pp. 1-27-61-102 in Colonial Press 1990 edition Sibree translation)	<b>1-27, 61-102</b>	69			

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		<i>Aesthetics</i>	Division of the Subject (Introduction, §8)	<b>69-90</b>	22			
<b>Heidegger</b>	<b>Martin</b>	<i>Being and Time</i>	Introduction	<b>1-38</b>	38	<b>258</b>	A	Phenomenology
			Being-in-the-World as Being With and Being-One's-Self. The ‘They’	<b>112-126</b>	15			
		<i>Basic Writings</i>	The Origin of the Work of Art	<b>139-212</b>	74			
			Letter on Humanism	<b>213-267</b>	55			
			The Question Concerning Technology	<b>307-342</b>	36			
		<i>The Question Concerning Technology and Other Essays</i>	The Age of the World Picture	<b>115-154</b>	40			
<b>Hobbes</b>	<b>Thomas</b>	<i>Leviathan</i>	Introduction; Part 1: i-v; Part 2: xvii-xix; Part 2: xxx-xxxi; Part 3: xxxii; A Review	<b>9-11, 13-37, 117-138, 231-254, 255-259, 483-491</b>	88	<b>88</b>	B	Enlightenment
<b>Hooks</b>	<b>Bell</b>	<i>Ain't I a Woman?</i>	Chapters 2, 5	<b>51-86, 159-196</b>	75	<b>94</b>	C	Feminist, Critical race theory
		<i>Black Looks: Race and Representation</i>	Eating the Other: Desire and Resistance	<b>21-39</b>	19		A	
<b>Horkheimer</b>	<b>Max</b>	<i>Critical Theory: Selected Essays</i>	"Tradition and Critical Theory"	<b>188-243</b>	55			
<b>Husserl</b>	<b>Edmund</b>	<i>Ideas Pertaining to a Pure Phenomenology and a Phenomenological Philosophy, Book I</i>	Sections 30-32, 84	<b>56-62, 199-202</b>	11	<b>95</b>	A	Phenomenology
		<i>Logical Investigations</i>	Vol. I, Investigation I, "Expression and Meaning"	<b>181-233</b>	53			
		<i>The Crisis of the European Sciences and Transcendental Phenomenology</i>	The Vienna Lecture: Philosophy and the Crisis of European Humanity	<b>269-299</b>	31			
<b>Irigaray</b>	<b>Luce</b>	<i>This Sex Which Is Not One</i>	This Sex Which Is Not One	<b>23-33</b>	11	<b>43</b>	A	Post-structuralist
			The Power of Discourse and the Subordination of the Feminine	<b>68-85</b>	18			Feminist
			When Our Lips Speak Together	<b>205-218</b>	14			
<b>Jameson</b>	<b>Fredric</b>	<i>Postmodernism; or, the Cultural Logic of Late Capitalism</i>	The Cultural Logic of Late Capitalism	<b>1-54</b>	54	<b>140</b>	C	Post-modernist
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			Transcendental Aesthetic	<b>172-191</b>	20			
			Transcendental Dialectic	<b>384-393</b>	10			
			Book 2, Chapter 3, Section VII	<b>583-590</b>	8			
			Appendix: Of the regulative employment of the ideas of pure reason	<b>590-604</b>	15			
		<i>Critique of Judgment</i>	Introduction; Book 1, sections 2, 4, 5, 8, 10; Book 2, sections 23-29, 35, 49	<b>59-83, 90-91, 92-96, 99-101, 105, 128-159, 167-168, 191-196</b>	76			
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			Idea of a Universal History from a Cosmopolitan Point of View	<b>41-54</b>	14			
		<i>The Conflict of the Faculties</i>	On the Relation of the Faculties	<b>31-60</b>	30			
<b>Kierkegaard</b>	<b>Søren</b>	<i>Fear and Trembling</i>	Preface	<b>5-8</b>	4	<b>111</b>	A	Existentialist
		<i>Repetition</i>	Entire	<b>125-231</b>	107			
<b>Kojève</b>	<b>Alexandre</b>	<i>Introduction to the Reading of Hegel</i>	Chapter 1-2	<b>3-70</b>	68	<b>68</b>	A	Philosophy
<b>Kristeva</b>	<b>Julia</b>	<i>Revolution in Poetic Language</i>	Prolegomenon and Part I sections 1,2, 5-10	<b>13-30, 43-71</b>	47	<b>122</b>	A	Post-structuralist
		<i>The Kristeva Reader</i>	Stabat Mater	<b>160-186</b>	27			Feminist
		<i>Powers of Horror</i>	Approaching Abjection	<b>1-31</b>	31			
		<i>Tales of Love</i>	Chapter 1	<b>1-17</b>	17			
<b>Lacan</b>	<b>Jacques</b>	<i>Écrits</i>	The Mirror Stage	<b>75-81</b>	7	<b>186</b>	C	Psychoanalysis
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		<i>State, Space, World: Selected Essays</i>	Space and the Mode of Production	210-222	13			
			Space and the State	223-254	32			
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			On Nature Itself	155-166	12			
		<i>Discourse on Metaphysics and Other Essays</i>	The Principles of Philosophy, or, the Monadology	68-81	14			
Lévi-Strauss	Claude	<i>The Savage Mind</i>	Chapters 1-6	1-190	190	216	C	Structuralist
		<i>Structural Anthropology</i>	The Structural Study of Myth	206-231	26			
Levinas	Emmanuel	<i>Totality and Infinity</i>	I.B. Separation and Discourse	53-82	30	97	C	Post-modernist
			III. Exteriority and the Face	187-253	67			
Locke	John	<i>Two Treatises on Government</i>	Second Treatise	265-428	164	164	B	Enlightenment
Luhmann	Niklas	<i>Introduction to Systems Theory</i>	Part II, ch. 1-5; Part V	25-100, 180-211	108	108	B	Frankfurt School
Lukács	Georg	<i>The Theory of the Novel: A Historicophilosophical essay on the Forms of Great Epic Literature</i>	Part I	29-93	65	129	C	Marxist
		<i>History and Class Consciousness</i>	Class Consciousness	46-82	37			
			Reification and the Consciousness of the Proletariat	83-109	27			
Lyotard	Jean-François	<i>The Differend: Phrases in Dispute</i>	Preface: Reading Dossier	xi-xvi	6	115	A	Post-modernist
			The Differend	3-31	29			
			The Signs of History	151-181	31			
		<i>The Inhuman</i>	Introduction: About the Human	1-7	7			
			The Sublime and the Avant-Garde	89-107	19			
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		<i>The Postmodern Condition</i>	Postscript: "Answering the Question: What is postmodernism?"	71-84	14			
Machiavelli	Niccolo	<i>The Prince</i>	Chapters 3-19; 24-25	5-82; 97-102	127	127	B	Enlightenment
Malabou	Catherine	<i>Plasticity at the Dusk of Writing: Dialectic,</i>	entire	1-136	137	137	A	Post-Deconstructionism



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		<i>The Resistance to Theory</i>	The Resistance to Theory	<b>3-20</b>	18			
		<i>Blindness and Insight: Essays in the Rhetoric of Criticism</i>	Rhetoric of Temporality	<b>187-229</b>	43			
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		<i>The Aesthetic Ideology</i>	The Epistemology of Metaphor; The Concept of Irony	<b>34-50, 163-184</b>	39			
<b>Marx</b>	<b>Karl</b>	<i>The Marx-Engels Reader</i>	The German Ideology	<b>146-202</b>	57	<b>262</b>	C	Marxist
			Selections from Capital, volume I	<b>294-438</b>	145			
			Economic and Philosophical Manuscripts of 1844	<b>66-125</b>	60			
<b>Mauss</b>	<b>Marcel</b>	<i>The Gift: Forms and Functions of Exchange in Archaic Societies</i>	entire	<b>1-107</b>	108	<b>108</b>	B	Social Theory
<b>McLuhan</b>	<b>Marshall</b>	<i>Understanding Media: The Extensions of Man</i>	Part I.1-I.4, I.6-I.7	<b>1-47, 56-76</b>	68	<b>68</b>	B	Cultural studies
<b>Merleau-Ponty</b>	<b>Maurice</b>	<i>The Phenomenology of Perception</i>	Preface	<b>vii-xxiv</b>	18	<b>166</b>	C	Existentialist
			Space	<b>283-347</b>	65			Phenomenology
		<i>The Primacy of Perception</i>	Eye and Mind	<b>159-190</b>	32			
		<i>The Visible and the Invisible</i>	Chapters 3-4	<b>105-155</b>	51			
<b>Mignolo</b>	<b>Walter</b>	<i>The Darker Side of Western Modernity</i>	(De)coloniality at large	<b>149-180</b>	32	<b>117</b>	C	De-colonial
			Cosmopolitan Localisms: Overcoming Colonial and Imperial Differences	<b>252-294</b>	43			
			Freedom to Choose' and the Decolonial Option	<b>295-336</b>	42			
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<b>Mills</b>	<b>Aaron</b>	<i>The Right Relationship: Reimagining the Implementation of Historical Treaties</i>	“What is a treaty? On contract and mutual aid”	<b>208-247</b>	40	<b>40</b>	B	Indigenous Critical Theory
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		<i>Thus Spoke Zarathustra</i>	Part I; Part II (selection); Part III (selection); Part IV (selection)	<b>3-59; 63-67, 88-90, 93-95, 109-112, 115-117; 121-127, 130-133, 156-179; 231-240, 264-266</b>	110			
		<i>The Birth of Tragedy</i>	Sections 1-5, 17, 24	<b>14-33, 80-85, 111-115</b>	31			
<b>Pascal</b>	<b>Blaise</b>	<i>Pensées</i>	Sections I-IV	<b>1-59</b>	60	<b>60</b>	A	Enlightenment
<b>Plato</b>		<i>The Republic</i>	Books I, III, VII, X	<b>972-990, 1022-1052, 1132-1155, 1199-1223</b>	99	<b>259</b>	A	Greek
			Phaedrus	<b>506-556</b>	51			
			Symposium	<b>457-505</b>	49			
			The Sophist	<b>235-294</b>	60			
<b>Ricoeur</b>	<b>Paul</b>	<i>Ideology and Utopia</i>	Part II: Utopia	<b>269-314</b>	46	<b>46</b>	C	Modernist
<b>Rousseau</b>	<b>Jean-Jacques</b>	<i>Basic Political Writings</i>	Discourse on the Origin of Inequality	<b>25-82</b>	58	<b>90</b>	B	Enlightenment
			The Social Contract, Books 1-2	<b>141-172</b>	32			
<b>Rubin</b>	<b>Gayle</b>	<i>Literary Theory: An Anthology</i>	"The Traffic in Women"	<b>770-794</b>	25	<b>25</b>	C	Feminist
<b>Said</b>	<b>Edward</b>	<i>Orientalism</i>	Introduction; Afterword	<b>18-42, 301-23</b>	48	<b>124</b>	C	Post-colonial
		MERIP Reports 70 (Sep 1978) ( <a href="http://www.jstor.org/stable/3011576">http://www.jstor.org/stable/3011576</a> )	"The Idea of Palestine in the West"	<b>3-11</b>	9			
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			Quality as a Revelation of Being	<b>765-784</b>	20			
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<b>Sedgwick</b>	<b>Eve Kosofsky</b>	<i>Novel Gazing</i>	Paranoid Reading and Reparative Reading; or, You're So Paranoid, You	<b>1-40</b>	40	<b>127</b>	A	Queer theory

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			The Sociology of Space	<b>137-169</b>	33			
			The Metropolis and Mental Life	<b>174-186</b>	13			
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			Land as Pedagogy	<b>145-174</b>	29			
<b>Smith</b>	<b>Dorothy</b>	<i>The Everyday World as Problematic</i>	Institutional Ethnography: A Feminist Research Strategy	<b>151-180</b>	30	<b>30</b>	B	Feminist
<b>Smith</b>	<b>Linda Tuhiwai</b>	<i>Decolonizing Methodologies: Research and Indigenous Peoples</i>	Chapters 1 and 2	<b>22-60</b>	39	<b>39</b>	B	Indigenous Critical Theory
<b>de Spinoza</b>	<b>Benedictus</b>	<i>Ethics</i>	Books 1, 2, 5	<b>31-101, 201-223</b>	94	<b>94</b>	A	Enlightenment (pre)
<b>Spivak</b>	<b>Gayatri Chakravorty</b>	<i>Marxism and the Interpretation of Culture</i>	Can the Subaltern Speak?	<b>271-313</b>	43	<b>75</b>	A	Deconstructionist
		<i>The Spivak Reader</i>	Revolutions That as Yet Have No Mode: Derrida's Limited Inc. I	<b>75-106</b>	32			Post-colonial
<b>Tuck and Yang</b>	<b>Eve and K. Wayne</b>	<i>"Decolonization Is Not a Metaphor"</i>	Entire	<b>1-40</b>	40	<b>40</b>	<b>C</b>	Indigenous Critical Theory
<b>Virilio</b>	<b>Paul</b>	<i>The Original Accident</i>	The Original Accident	<b>70-82</b>	13		<b>B</b>	Post-modernist
<b>Weber</b>	<b>Max</b>	<i>The Essential Weber</i>	Puritanism and the spirit of capitalism	<b>25-34</b>	10	<b>90</b>	B	Modernist
			Prefatory remarks on the Collected Essays in the Sociology of Religion	<b>101-112</b>	12			
			Three pure types of legitimate rule	<b>133-145</b>	13			
			Formal and substantive rationalization: theocratic and secular law	<b>250-256</b>	7			
			Basic sociological concepts	<b>311-358</b>	48			
<b>Weil</b>	<b>Simone</b>	<i>Simone Weil: An Anthology</i>	Human Personality	<b>69-98</b>	30	<b>137</b>	A	Philosopher
			The Needs of the Soul	<b>105-140</b>	36			
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		<i>Tractatus Logico-Philosophicus</i>	Preface, Propositions 1-2.225, 6.4-7	<b>c. 15pp</b>	15			
<b>Wollstonecraft</b>	<b>Mary</b>	<i>A Vindication of the Rights of Women</i>	Introduction, Chapters 1-5, 9, 13	<b>74-155, 230-241, 276-303</b>	122	<b>122</b>	B	Feminist
<b>Wynter</b>	<b>Sylvia</b>	<i>CR: The New Centennial Review, 2003</i>	Unsettling the Coloniality of Being/Power/Truth/Freedom	<b>257-337</b>	81	<b>81</b>	C	Critical Race Theory
<b>Žižek</b>	<b>Slavoj</b>	<i>The Sublime Object of Ideology</i>	How Did Marx Invent the Symptom?	<b>11-54</b>	44	<b>86</b>	C	Post-Structuralist
			From Symptom to Sinthome	<b>55-86</b>	32			
		<i>The Indivisible Remainder</i>	Introduction	<b>1-10</b>	10			

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