

History of Printing (Level 4)

I. Pre-Printing Period

A. 1st – 17th century Greek, Roman, Arabic, Coptic, Hebrew and Eastern Manuscripts

Collected selectively

B. 11th – 16th century West European Manuscripts and Facsimiles

Collected selectively

II. 15th Century

Collected selectively

Examples of selected 15th century printers and texts which supplement curriculum needs.

III. 16th Century

A. Examples from Major and Minor Printers

Including Aldus, Estienne, Simon de Colines, Johann Froben, Badius Ascensius, Christopher Plantin and the Elzeviers.

Collected selectively

B. Examples of Printing Developments

Examples of developments not necessarily associated with any one particular printer such as: woodcuts, stencil illumination, engravings, font types, layouts, etc. We will also collect examples of texts associated with the opposite side of the printing revolution, namely, texts that include printing errors and mistakes, forgeries, piracies, etc.

Collected selectively

III. 17th – through 19th Centuries

Includes: John Baskerville of London, Biambattista Bodoni of Italy, and Didot of France.

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