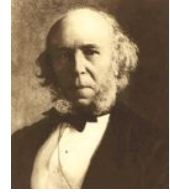


The Life and Works of Herbert Spencer

1820 – 1903



Key: Blue (events in author's life);
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"The Proper Sphere of Government" in *The Nonconformist*
1841

Derby Delegate for the Complete Suffrage Union
1841 – 1843

editor of the radical periodical *the Pilot*
1843

attends Chapman's weekly salons
1848

writes for the *Leader* edited by Lewes and Hunt
1851

works as sub-editor for *The Economist*
1847

love affair with George Eliot
1852 – 1853

The Principles of Psychology
1855

1st mental breakdown
1856

Essays: Scientific, Political, & Speculative
1857 – 1874

publication of Darwin's *Origin of Species*
1859

Anglo-French Free Trade Treaty
1860

The Principles of Biology, 2 vols
1864 – 1867

2nd Reform Act
1867

First Principles
1862

Crimean War
1854 – 1856

The Study of Sociology
1873

elected member of the Athenaeum Club
1868

began writing *Autobiography*
1875

vol. 1 of *the Principles of Sociology*
1876

Principles of Ethics
1879

The Data of Ethics
1879

vol. 2 of *the Principles of Sociology*
1879 – 1882

3rd Reform Act
1884

The Man vs. the State
1884

vol. 3 of *the Principles of Sociology*
1885

depression leads to end of his writing
1886

Boer War
1899 – 1901

Facts and Comments
1902

Death
1903

Autobiography
1904

privately tutored by uncles
1829 – 1836

1st Reform Act
1832

works for railway
1837 – 1841

Abolition of the Corn Laws
1846

Social Statics
1851

Birth in Derby, England
1820

1825 1830 1835 1840 1845 1850 1855 1860 1865 1870 1875 1880 1885 1890 1895 1900 1905