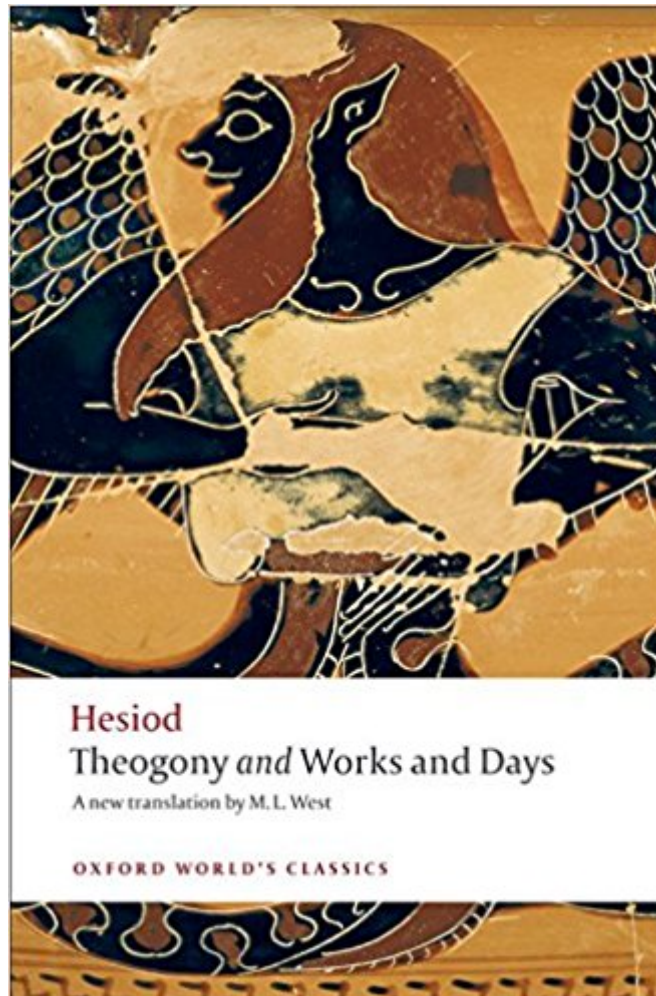




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Hesiod, the early Greek poet and rhapsode who presumably lived around 700 BCE, serves as a major source for knowledge of Greek mythology, farming techniques, archaic Greek astronomy and ancient time-keeping. M.L. West is a Professor of Greek at Royal Holloway and Bedford New College, University of London.

The poems are printed with small print so it is a bit hard to read them. Also, there is no indication of line numbers other than a notation at the top of each page saying the line range for that page.

This was a very informative text. I learned a great deal about the Olympians and the Titans. It cleared up fuzzy details and introduced new entities. Recommended reading for all those interested in the myths and legends of ancient Greece.

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