

End Matter

The End Matter section contains these four items:

Chronology. This may help to coordinate classical China with the rest of the ancient world, including India. It includes some of the Princes of Lǔ in the Spring and Autumn centuries. The chronicle of that name is our only contemporary source for that period, which includes the lifetime of Confucius.

Works Cited. Few works are explicitly cited in this book. This list includes a few works in English which may be useful as collateral reading for those coming to Confucius from other fields.

Romanization. Chinese words have been spelled in many ways, none of them very helpful to newcomers. This table compares our simpler “CA” system with the two systems which are now most often encountered.

Subject Index. It is highly selective, but may serve to locate some topics of special interest for comparative historians, or some detail that is remembered but cannot be easily located from the Table of Contents.



The authors end with the hope that our readers, of whatever persuasion, have found in this book something that may be of present or future use to them. Our thanks to those who helped, along the way, to make the book what it is.