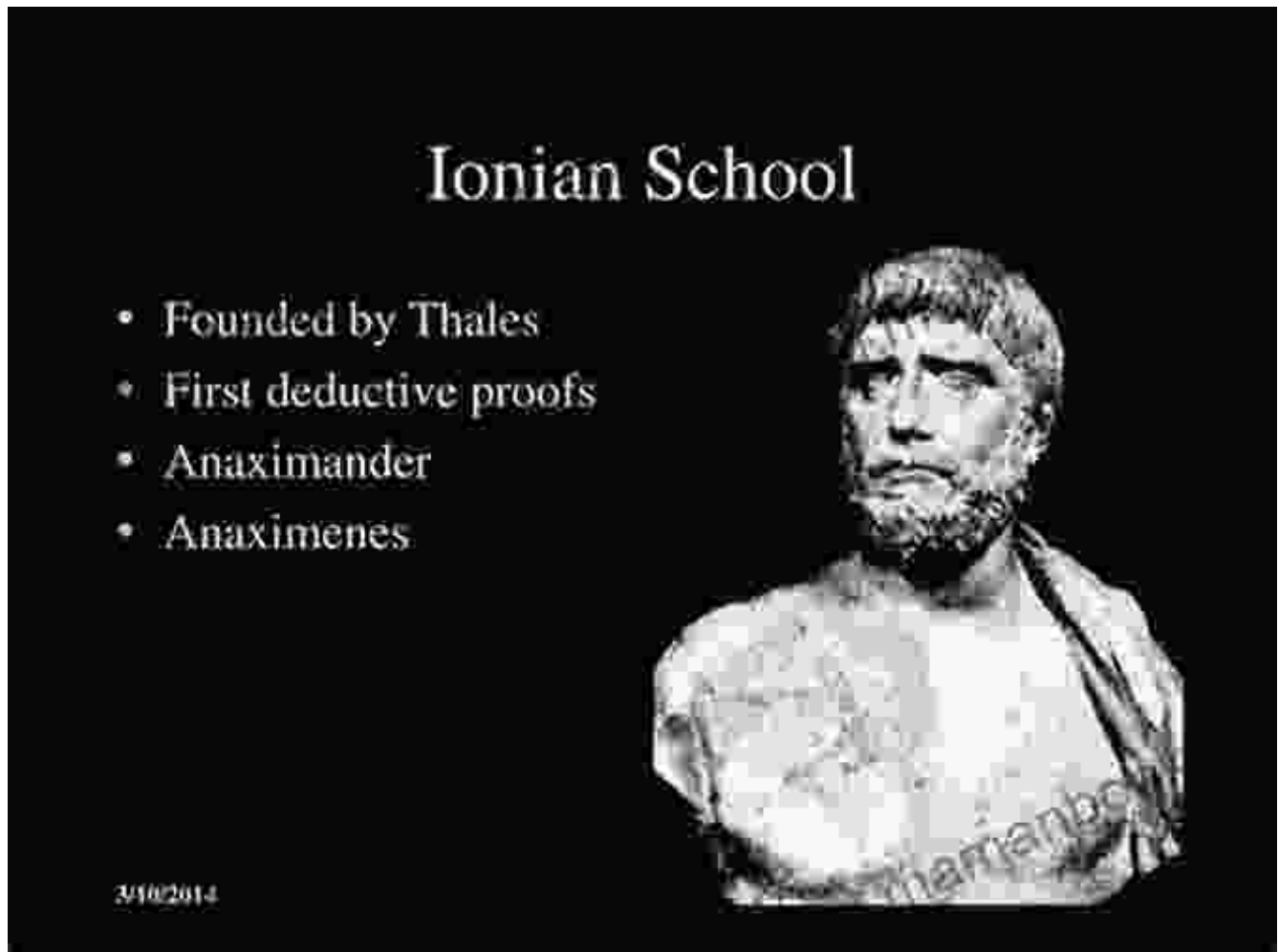
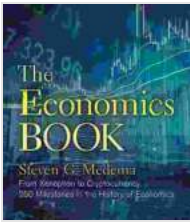


From Xenophon to Cryptocurrency: 250 Milestones in the History of Economics

1. c. 550 BCE: The Economic Theory of the Ionian School



The Ionian School of philosophy was founded by Thales of Miletus (c. 624-546 BCE) and was one of the most important schools of thought in the ancient world. The Ionian philosophers were known for their naturalistic approach to philosophy, emphasizing the importance of observation and reason in understanding the world.



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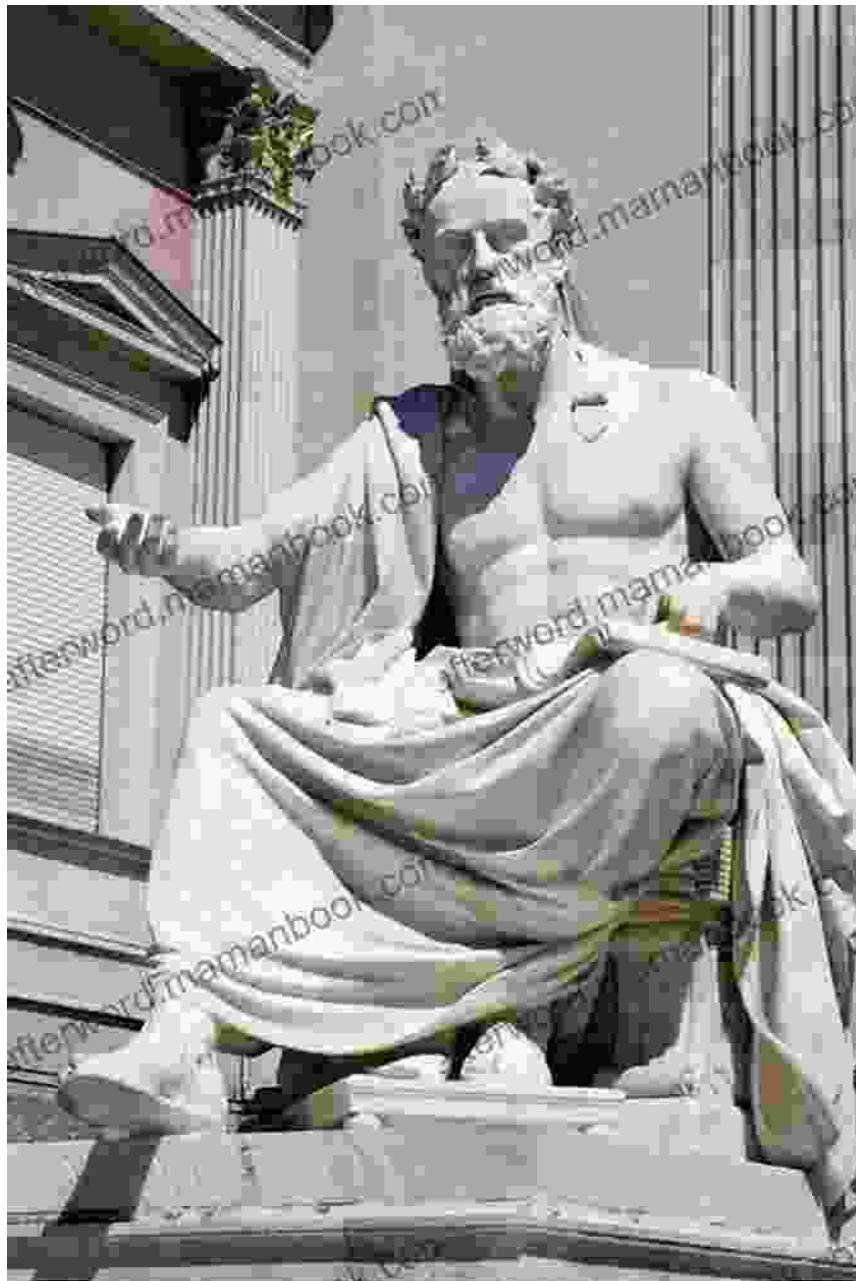


Thales is famous for his ideas about the nature of the universe, including his belief that everything is made up of water. However, he also wrote about economics, including the importance of trade, the role of government in regulating the economy, and the importance of education.

Anaximander, another Ionian philosopher, also wrote about economics. He is best known for his theory of the origin of the universe, which he believed started as a chaotic mass of matter that eventually separated into different elements. He also wrote about the importance of trade and the role of money.

Anaximenes, another Ionian philosopher, also wrote about economics. He argued that money is the most important commodity, and he also believed that government should play a role in regulating the economy.

2. c. 400 BCE: Xenophon's Oeconomicus



Xenophon, author of Oeconomicus

Xenophon's *Oeconomicus* is one of the earliest known works on economics. It was written around 400 BCE, and it is a comprehensive treatise on the management of a household estate. Xenophon argues that the goal of economics is to increase the wealth of a household, and he provides detailed advice on how to achieve this goal.

Xenophon's work is also notable for its emphasis on the importance of ethics in economics. He argues that economists must always consider the ethical implications of their actions, and he condemns those who use their economic power to harm others.

3. c. 330 BCE: Aristotle's Politics



Aristotle's Politics is one of the most influential works in the history of political science, and it also contains a significant amount of economic

theory. Aristotle argues that economics is a branch of political science, and he emphasizes the importance of the state in regulating the economy.

Aristotle also discusses the role of money and credit in the economy, and he argues that they are essential for economic growth. He also discusses the importance of property rights, and he argues that they are necessary for economic security.

4. c. 100 CE: The Roman Empire's Economic Policies



The Roman Empire's economic policies

The Roman Empire was one of the most powerful empires in history, and it had a significant impact on the development of economics. The Romans

developed a complex system of taxation, and they used this system to fund their military and social welfare programs.

They also developed a system of public works, and they used this system to build roads, bridges, and aqueducts. These public works projects helped to stimulate economic growth, and they also made it easier for people to travel and trade.

5. c. 700 CE: The Rise of Islam



The rise of Islam had a significant impact on the development of economics. The Islamic caliphates that emerged after the death of Muhammad were some of the largest and most prosperous empires in the world.

The caliphates developed a complex system of trade, and they also made significant advancements in science and mathematics. These

advancements helped to fuel economic growth, and they also led to the development of new economic ideas.

6. c. 1000 CE: The Commercial Revolution



The Commercial Revolution

The Commercial Revolution was sparked by the return of trade to Western Europe after centuries of decline. This trade led to the growth of cities and the development of new economic institutions.

The Commercial Revolution also saw the development of new technologies, such as the printing press, which made it possible for knowledge to be more easily shared and disseminated.

7. c. 1300 CE: The Great Famine



The Great Famine was caused by a combination of factors, including a series of crop failures, a decline in trade, and a rapid increase in population. The famine had a devastating impact on the European economy, and it led to a decline in population and a widespread loss of wealth.

8. c. 1400 CE: The Renaissance



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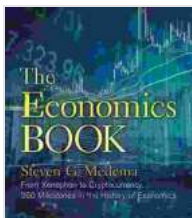
The Renaissance was a time of great economic growth and innovation. The Renaissance saw the development of new technologies, such as the compass and the printing press, which helped to fuel economic growth.

The Renaissance also saw the development of new economic ideas, such as mercantilism, which advocated for government intervention in the economy.

9. c. 1600 CE: The Scientific Revolution



The Scientific Revolution led to the development of new technologies and new economic ideas. The Scientific Revolution also led to the development of new ways of understanding the world, which helped to fuel economic growth.



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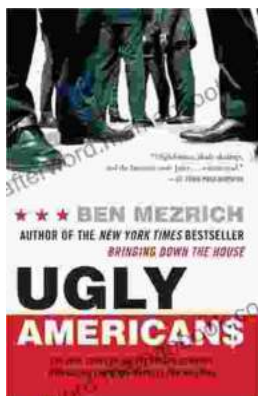
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