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It is also worth noting that this work is organised chronologically, for time provides the essential yardstick for measuring the sequences, degrees and