

The “Historical Narrative” in the Hebrew Bible

Genesis	Exodus	Leviticus	Numbers	Deuteronomy	Joshua	Judges	[Ruth]	1 Samuel	2 Samuel	1 Kings	2 Kings
Torah or Pentateuch											
Hexateuch (?)											
					Deuteronomistic History						
					OR...						
					Judges 2.11-1 Samuel 12 as “Extended Judges” 1 Samuel 13 – 2 Samuel 7 as “Book of the Everlasting Covenant” (David Jobling”)						
Deuteronomistic History											
Counter to Babylonian <i>Enuma Elish</i> (6 th century BCE)	Counter to David/Solomon story (9 th century BCE?)	Counter to Ezra-Nehe-miah (6 th century BCE)	Collection of traditions disputing various roles and authority (?)	Deut-Joshua as Josiah addition, 620s BCE (?)	“Short stories” from the premonarchical period (10 th century BCE?)	Various theories of time and purpose of composition, mostly from Josiah to post-exile	Samuel/Saul traditions + “Davidic Apology” + Solomon’s succession + Jeroboam’s rebellion (range of time periods?)	8 th century BCE (?)	6 th century BCE, just as the exile occurred.		