Johannes Gutenberg introduces movable type printing. Scientists study astrology and astronomy side by side.

Lucas Brandis makes the first printed maps.

Albrecht Dürer's woodcuts exemplify the beauty and skill demonstrated in early book arts.

German humanism spreads throughout Europe.

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Catholics revolt against Martin Luther's ideas.

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The Protestant
Reformation
requires
translations of the
Bible into the
vernacular.

The ancient historian Herodotus demonstrates how to write history.

The first German novel is The Adventures of Simplicius Simplicissimus.

William Harvey publishes his discourse on the circulation of blood.

Johannes Kepler imagines the laws of planetary motion.

Theodore De Bry introduces Germans to American Indians.

Johann Gottlieb Fichte uses the concept of the 'pure I' to create transcendental idealism.

Johann Wolfgang von Goethe is Germany's most important contribution to world literature.

Educational reform methods spread through Germany to the United States.

Lady Elizabeth Craven is best known for her Grand Tour travelogues.

Heinrich von Kleist represents German Romanticism.

Sigmund Freud creates the theory of psychoanalysis.

Germans are the largest immigrant group in the United States.

Georg Hegel is the most prominent philosopher affiliated with German idealism.