

# Hegel's *Science of Logic* (1812 – 1816)

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## Readings for Summer 2015

We are reading the edition of Hegel's *Science of Logic* translated by A. V. Miller, and published by Humanity Books. This translation is 844 pages long and we will read approximately 1/3 of the work for each of the three semesters (Fall, Spring, Summer) of the 2014 – 2015 academic year.

The *Science of Logic* consists of three major parts. The first two were published by Hegel as “Volume 1: The Objective Logic” and the third as “Volume 2: Subjective Logic or The Doctrine of the Notion”. The two parts of “The Objective Logic” are “Book 1: The Doctrine of Being” and “Book 2: The Doctrine of Essence”. So, in the Fall 2014 term, we will read “The Doctrine of Being”; in the Spring 2015 term, we will read “The Doctrine of Essence”; and in the Summer 2015 term we will read “The Doctrine of the Notion”. So we will cover the entire book over the year.

The “Doctrine of Being” is 360 pages; “The Doctrine of Essence” is 182 pages; and “The Doctrine of the Notion” is 269 pages long. So, while the Fall 2014 semester will have the most reading, the remaining two semesters will have somewhat less a reading load. But, this seems the best way of breaking up the work into parts in order to cover it all.

The readings for the Summer 2015 term will be:

For Week	Pages / ¶¶	To be read by	Content	Pages/day (roughly)
2	575 – 597 / ¶¶ 1264 – 1298	June 12	Introductory	3.1
3	599 – 622 / ¶¶ 1299 – 1353	June 19	Start of Section 1, “Subjectivity”, Ch 1, “The Notion” (“Der Begriff”)	3.3
4	623 – 663 / ¶¶ 1354 – 1443	June 26	Ch 2, “The Judgment” (“Das Urteil”)	5.7
5	664 – 686 / ¶¶ 1444 – 1488	July 3	Ch 3, “The Syllogism” (“Der Schluß”) (start)	3.1
	NO CLASS	July 10	NO CLASS	
6	686 – 710 / ¶¶ 1489 – 1547	July 17	Ch 3, “The Syllogism” (“Der Schluß”) (end) and start of Section 2, “Objectivity”	3.4
7	711 – 733 / ¶¶ 1548 – 1595	July 24	Ch 1, “Mechanism” and Ch 2, “Chemism”	3.1
8	734 – 760 / ¶¶ 1596 – 1645	July 31	Ch 3, “Teleology” and start of Section 3, “The Idea” (“Die Idee”)	3.7
9	761 – 783 / ¶¶ 1646 – 1692	August 7	Ch 1, “Life” and Ch 2, “The Idea of Cognition” (start)	3.1
10	783 – 806 / ¶¶ 1693 – 1729	August 14	Ch 2, “The Idea of Cognition” (cont.)	3.3
11	806 – 823 / ¶¶ 1730 – 1751	August 21	Ch 2, “The Idea of Cognition” (end)	2.4
12	824 – 844 / ¶¶ 1752 – 1778	August 28	Ch 3, “The Absolute Idea”	2.9