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Comment:

The Harvard Classics are "The most comprehensive and well-researched anthology of all time comprises both the 50-volume "5-foot shelf of books" and the the 20-volume Shelf of Fiction. Together they cover every major literary figure, philosopher, religion, folklore and historical subject through the twentieth century."

The Harvard Classics are available on the Internet at <http://www.bartleby.com/hc/>. The writings in the Harvard Classics date back to before the 19th century, and many are far older. The Harvard Classics were originally published as a set in 1909-1910.

To accompany the 50 volume set, a reading guide called "Fifteen Minutes a Day, The Reading Guide" was written, The Reading Guide was apparently written by Dr. Charles W. Eliot, and published and Copyrighted by P. F. Collier and Son Company in 1930. The reading guide provides 366 daily suggested readings from the 50-volumes.

I thought The Reading Guide should also be available on the Internet, but I could not find it. I was willing to scan and transcribe my copy of the Reading Guide and post it on the Internet with links to the documents at [bartleby.com](http://www.bartleby.com). However, I could not find a way to determine the copyright status.