

# October 15 Birthday of Lucretius and Virgil?

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I've found the relevant passage in Seutonius.

## Quote

Vergil spent his early life at Cremona until he assumed the gown of manhood, upon his fifteenth birthday, in the consulship of the same two men who had been consuls the year he was born; and it chanced that the poet Lucretius died that very same day.

Most of Seutonius' *De Poetis* is lost, or else we might have quite a lot more to go on with Lucretius.