

# Seven Steps With Epicurus - A Slide Presentation

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Zeno of Citium ,the founder of the Stoic school of philosophy, which he taught in Athens from about 300 BC. Zeno began teaching in the colonnade in the Agora of Athens known as the Stoa Poikile (Greek Στοὰ Ποικίλη) in 301 BC. His disciples were initially called "Zenonians," but eventually they came to be known as "Stoics," a name previously applied to poets who congregated in the Stoa Poikile.

Born c . 334 BCE Citium, Cyprus

Died c. 262 BC (aged 71-72) Athens

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Epicurus bought his house and garden in Athens in 306 BCE after teaching in Mytilene and Lampsacus for years. His philosophy was already nearing maturity when he came to Athens.

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Epicurus's philosophy was not in response to Stoicism. Stoicism wasn't developed enough to be a real rival to his philosophy until later in the history of the Garden. The philosophies became true rivals by the time of Cicero and Philodemus.

Epicurus's texts shouldn't be read in reference to Stoicism, but the later texts need to be read with Stoics in mind.

That's my perspective.

So... Timeline

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Epicurus established Garden 306 BCE

Zeno \*begins\* teaching in the Stoa 300 BCE

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