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Wisdom Literature Review: **Philosophy – Classical Philosophy**

This reference list is part of a larger literature review of texts and publications relevant to wisdom research. The following list is not exhaustive, but contains some references on Greek philosophy, the foundation for the Western philosophical tradition. The major personalities in classical Greek philosophy (Socrates, Plato, and Aristotle) sought to understand wisdom through rational analysis.

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