Title: Mahābhārata

Texts:

van Buitenen, J.A.B., tr., Mahābhārata, University of Chicago Press:

- Volume 1, The Book of the Beginning
  ISBN: 9780226846637
- Volume 2, The Book of the Assembly Hall, The Book of the Forest
  ISBN: 9780226846644
- Volume 3, The Book of Virata, The Book of the Effort
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- The Sauptikaparvan of the Mahabharata*
  ISBN: 978-0192823618
  The Sauptikaparvan is out of print, but photocopies are available in our Bookstore.

Readings


2. pp.63-123 (Astika)

3. pp.123-210 (The Descent – Latter Days of Yayati) (pp. 145-154 may be skimmed quickly)


5. pp.274-344 (The Fire in the Lacquer House – Citraratha concluded)

6. pp.344-405 (Draupadi’s Bridegroom Choice – Arjuna’s Sojourn in the Forest)

7. pp.405-31 (the Abduction of Subhadra – Burning of the Khandava Forest): discussion of whole of Book 1.

8. The Book of the Assembly Hall: Read italicized summaries pp.33-106, then read whole pp.106-69 (The Dicing – The Sequel to the Dicing). At this point
note that the *Sauptikaparvan* volume has narrative summaries in the back; read summary for Book 4, *The Book of Virata*.


10. pp.254-94 (Dhrtarastra’s Vigil – Sanatsujata)

11. pp.294-339 (The Suing for Peace)

12. pp.344-82 (The Coming of the Lord); 415-442 (The Coming of the Lord. continued)


15. *The Sauptikaparvan*: read Summaries in Appendix, then main text pp.5-86)