

Historical Timeline for the Matter of Britain

54 BCE	Julius Caesar Invades Britain; Repulsed.
43 CE	Romans, under Emperor Claudius, Conquer Britain.
410	Roman Troops Withdrawn from Britain
496	Battle of Badon Hill. Ambrosius Aurelianus / Arthur Defeats the Saxons.
537	Battle of Camlann. Arthur and Medraut / Mordred Slay One Another. [<i>Annales Cambriae</i>]
540	Gildas, <i>De Excidio Britanniae</i> .
731	Bede, <i>Historia Ecclesiastica Gentis Anglorum</i> .
820	Nennius, <i>Historia Brittonum</i> .
900-1000	Viking Invasions of Britain and Ireland by Norwegians and Danes
1015	Danish Conquest of England Under King Cnut
1066	Norman Conquest of England Under William the Conqueror
1138	Geoffrey of Monmouth, <i>Historia Regum Britanniae</i> .
1154-89	Reign of Henry II, King of England, Duke of Normandy and Aquitaine, Count of Anjou and Maine.
1155	Wace, <i>Roman de Brut</i> .
1157-65	Henry II Launches Four Different Invasions of Wales.
1167-1169	Henry II Launches Three Successive Invasions of Brittany.
1169-71	English Invasion of Ireland.
1170	Chrétien de Troyes, <i>Erec et Énide</i> .
1173-74	Revolt against Henry II: William the Lion, King of Scotland, defeated.
1176	Chrétien de Troyes, <i>Cligès</i> .
1177	Chrétien de Troyes, <i>Le Chevalier de la Charrette (Lancelot)</i> .
1180	Chrétien de Troyes, <i>Le Chevalier au Lion (Yvain)</i> .
1189-99	Reign of Richard the Lion-Hearted.
1190	Chrétien de Troyes, <i>Le Conte du Graal (Perceval)</i> .
1199-1216	Reign of John (Lackland).
1200	<i>Perceval</i> First Continuation.
1206	John Loses French Possessions to Phillip II, King of France
1210	<i>Perceval</i> Second Continuation. Robert de Boron, <i>L'Estoire du Graal, Joseph d'Arimathée, Merlin, Perceval</i> . <i>Perlesvaus</i> .
1215	Magna Carta.
1220	<i>Perceval</i> Third Continuation. (<i>Manessier</i>); The “Vulgate Cycle.” The Prose <i>Lancelot</i> .
1230	<i>Perceval</i> Fourth Continuation. (<i>Gerbert de Montreuil</i>) <i>The Quest for the Holy Grail</i> .
1240	<i>The Knight of the Sword</i> . <i>The History of the Holy Grail</i> .
1250	<i>The Perilous Graveyard</i> .