

1. Record Nr.	UNISA996441539703316
Autore	Beck Roger <1937->
Titolo	A brief history of ancient astrology [[electronic resource] /] / Roger Beck
Pubbl/distr/stampa	Malden, MA ; ; Oxford, : Blackwell Pub., 2007
ISBN	1-281-31052-2 0-470-77377-4 9786611310523 0-470-77537-8 1-280-74329-8 9786610743292 1-4051-7162-6
Edizione	[1st ed.]
Descrizione fisica	1 online resource (176 p.)
Collana	Brief histories of the ancient world
Disciplina	133.5093
Soggetti	Astrology - History
Lingua di pubblicazione	Inglese
Formato	Materiale a stampa
Livello bibliografico	Monografia
Note generali	Description based upon print version of record.
Nota di bibliografia	Includes bibliographical references (p. 137-154) and index.
Nota di contenuto	Introduction : what was astrology in ancient Greece and Rome? -- Origins and types of astrology : the transfer of astrology from Babylon : the pseudo-history of astrology : "alien wisdom" -- The product : how to construct a simple horoscope, ancient style -- Structure and meaning in the horoscope, 1 : the aspects and the "places" -- Structure and meaning in the horoscope, 2 : the zodiac and its signs -- Structure and meaning in the horoscope, 3 : the planets -- Horoscopes and their interpretation -- A matter of life and death : "starters," "destroyers," and "length of life" : some sociopolitical implications of astrology -- Conclusion : why bother with ancient astrology in the twenty-first century?
Sommario/riassunto	A Brief History of Ancient Astrology explores the theory and practice of astrology from Babylon to Ancient Greece and Rome and its cultural and political impact on ancient societies. Discusses the union between early astrology and astronomy, in contrast to the modern dichotomy between science and superstition. Explains the ancient understanding of the zodiac and its twelve signs, the seven planets, and the fixed circle

of 'places' against which the signs and planets revolve. Demonstrates how to construct and interpret a horoscope in the ancient manner, using original ancient
