

VRG Spring 2026 Crises of the Republic Reading Schedule

Beginning Friday, January 23, we'll read Crises of the Republic. In this collection of four essays, Hannah Arendt investigates the political ruptures of the twentieth century—probing civil disobedience, violence, bureaucratic power, and the erosion of authority. With her unsparing clarity and historical insight, Arendt illuminates the pressures that distort democratic life and the possibilities for renewed political action. Urgent and thought-provoking, Crises of the Republic offers a vital framework for understanding the challenges that continue to shape our public world.

EDITION INFORMATION:

Title: *Crises of the Republic*

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Publication Date: 1972

Publication Place: United States

SCHEDULE:

Friday January 23

Crises of the Republic, Lying in Politics I-II

Friday, January 30th

Crises of the Republic, Lying in Politics III-V

Friday, February 6th: **No VRG**

Friday, February 13th

Crises of the Republic, Civil Disobedience I-II

Friday, February 20th

Crises of the Republic, Civil Disobedience II-III

Friday, February 27th

Crises of the Republic, On Violence I

Friday, March 6th

Crises of the Republic, On Violence II

Friday, March 13th

Crises of the Republic, On Violence III

Friday, March 20th: **No VRG**—Spring Break

Friday, March 27th: **No VRG**

Friday, April 3rd: **No VRG**

Friday, April 10th:

Crises of the Republic, Thoughts on Politics and Revolution

Friday, April 17th

Additional Essay: Home to Roost Part I

Friday, April 24th: **No VRG** spring conference

Friday, May 1st

Additional Essay: Home to Roost Part II

Friday, May 8th: **No VRG**

Friday, May 15th: **No VRG**

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