CHRONOLOGY

1878    Parents Leslie Stephen and Julia Duckworth (née Jackson) marry (26 March).

1879    Sister Vanessa Stephen born (30 May).

1880    Brother Thoby Stephen born (8 September).


1883    Brother Adrian Stephen born (27 October).

1888    First extant letter (to James Russell Lowell, 20 August).

1891    Along with Vanessa and Thoby Stephen, begins writing the family newspaper, Hyde Park Gate News (January–February). Leslie Stephen resigns from the DNB.

1982    Writes, with Thoby Stephen, ‘A Cockney’s Farming Experiences’ (22 August–26 September) and ‘The Experiences of a Paterfamilias’ (10 October–19 December) for Hyde Park Gate News.

1893    Meets Rupert Brooke (summer).

1894    Stephen family spend their last summer at Talland House.

1895    Julia Stephen dies (5 May).
1896 Keeps a diary for a short period of time. Travels to France (November).

1897 Begins her first extant diary (3 January). Half-sister Stella Duckworth marries Jack Hills (10 April), but dies soon afterwards (19 July). Begins classes in Greek and History at King’s College, London (November).

1898 Begins studying Latin with Clara Pater (October).

1899 Thoby Stephen goes up to Trinity College, Cambridge, where he meets Clive Bell, Lytton Strachey, Saxon Sydney-Turner and Leonard Woolf (3 October).

1901 Takes up bookbinding (October).


1906 Writes ‘[Phyllis and Rosamund]’ (20–3 June), ‘The Mysterious Case of Miss V.’ (summer) and ‘[The Journal of Mistress Joan Martyn]’ (August). Travels to Greece and Turkey, via France and Italy (8 September–29 October). Thoby Stephen dies (20 November).

1908  Nephew Julian Bell born (4 February). Travels to Wales, Italy and France (18 August–30 September).

1909  Engaged, fleetingly, to Lytton Strachey (17 February). Meets Lady Ottoline Morrell (30 March). Travels to Italy (23 April–9 May) and Germany, where she attends the Bayreuth Festival (5 August–3 September). Writes ‘Memoirs of a Novelist’ (rejected by *The Cornhill*, 10 November).


1911  Rents Little Talland House in Firle, Sussex. Travels to Turkey (22–9 April). Negotiates rental of Asheham House in Beddingham, Sussex (October). Moves to 38 Brunswick Square with Adrian Stephen, Duncan Grant and Maynard Keynes (20 November). Leonard Woolf moves into 38 Brunswick Square (4 December).


1913  Delivers manuscript of *The Voyage Out* to Duckworth (9 March), novel accepted for publication (12 April).
1914  House-hunting in London, first at 65 St Margaret’s Road, Twickenham (9 October), then 17 The Green, Richmond, Surrey (17 October).


1916  Nelly Boxall and Lottie Hope begin working for the Woolfs (1 February). Begins writing *Night and Day* (reaches Chapter XII by October). Meets Katherine Mansfield (early November?).


1919  Hogarth Press publishes *Kew Gardens* (12 May). Buys Monks House, in Rodmell (1 July), moves in (1 September). Duckworth publishes *Night and Day* (20 October).

1920  First meeting of the ‘Memoir Club’ (4 March). Begins writing *Jacob’s Room* (May).

1921  Hogarth Press publishes *Monday or Tuesday* (7 or 8 March)—all subsequent publications are with the Hogarth Press.


1924 Buys lease for 52 Tavistock Square (9 January), moves in (13–15 March). Publishes *Mr. Bennett and Mrs. Brown* (30 October).


1927 Travels to France and Italy (30 March–28 April). Publishes *To the Lighthouse* (5 May). Begins writing *Orlando* (5 October).


1930 Meets Ethel Smyth (20 February).


1935  First performance of *Freshwater* (18 January). Travels to Holland, Germany, Austria, Italy and France (1–31 May).


