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Almost all of the translations in this book come from the very beginning of the Egyptian Ramesside era at the beginning of the 13th century BC—either from the reign of Ramesses I (c. 1295–1294 BC), founding father of the 19th Dynasty, or that of his dynamic son and successor Sethos I (c. 1294–1279 BC). As Ramesses I reigned only into his second year, and the reign of Sethos I lasted between eleven and fifteen years, virtually everything here dates within a span of only twelve/seventeen years, at most.

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