Histories of Deuteronomistic Literature

	Kuenen	Benzinger	Burney	Stade / Schwally Sanda	Eissfeldt	Jepsen	Smend / Dietrich	Friedman	
722 BCE									Destruction of Northern kingdom
	Pre-Deuteronomistic Work (on Developing, not fixed Book)								
622 BCE									Josiah's Reform
	The first to suggest that the book of Kings originated in pre exilic times	R^1 (621-597BCE)	R^D (621-600 BCE)		Dt (621-607 BCE)			Dtr^1	
597 BCE									1st Exile
	and then later underwent an exilic redaction.	R^2 (Exile-Post Exilic)		R (Stade / Schwally 597-586 BCE)					
586 BCE					The author is apparently unaware of any other Babylonian kings succeeding Evil-Merodach (562-560 BCE).				2st Exile Destruction of Southern Kingdom
				R (Sanda after 587 BCE)	Dt^2 (after 560 BCE)	R^1 Priestly Compiler	DtrG + DtrP	Dtr^2	
						R2 Propetic Compiler	DtrN (after 561 BCE)		
539 BCE							After the release of Jehoiachin, a pro-Davidic, nomistic DtrN added further material.		Destruction of Babylon
			R^{D2} (Post Exilic)		R (Post Exilic)				