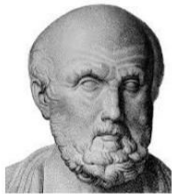


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Britain: Health and the people 1. Medicine stands still



Key individuals



Hippocrates



Claudius Galen



Al-Razi
(Rhazes)



Ibn-Sina
(Avicenna)

Surgery

- Albucasis
- Frugardi
- Hugh and Theodoric of Lucca
- Mondino
- Guy de Chauliac
- John of Arderne

Islam

Doctors in hospitals
 'For every disease Allah has given a cure'
 Mental illness treated with compassion
 Settled empire
 Ibn-Sina's book documented 760 drugs

Both

Medical books
 No human dissection
 Universities at Padua and Bologna
 Observation

Christianity

Care not cure
 Illness comes from sinning.
 Use Galen and Hippocrates' ideas
 700 hospitals - mostly small and centres of rest

Public health

Towns
 Built near rivers for both drinking water and waste disposal.
 Rubbish thrown onto the street.
 Privies were usually over cesspits that were emptied by gong farmers.
 No knowledge of germs and infection believed in bad air.



Monasteries
 Built near rivers isolated areas.
 They had systems of pipes for water, a lavatorium to wash and an infirmary to care for the sick.
 Keeping clean was part of the daily routine of monks. Monks copied books including medical books.
 Care not cure.



Key beliefs

The Theory of the Four Humours and use of opposites.



Diagnosis included checking urine using taste and urine charts. Treatments included purging by vomiting and bloodletting. People used wise women, doctors, monasteries, prayer, the apothecary barber surgeons.



Key dates

c1230	Compendium Medicine written by Gilbert Eagle. A medical book of European and Arab knowledge.
1348	The Black Death arrives in England. Bubonic and Pneumonic. No understanding of cause or known cure.

KEY VOCABULARY/ TERMS

Bad air, gong farmer, pilgrimage, trepanning, sanitation, monk, cesspit, Theory of the Four Humours, Theory of Opposites, Church, Islam, Christianity, dissection, purging, vomiting, blood letting, apothecary, urine chart, planets, Black Death, superstition, cauterisation, flagellation, privies, buboes, infirmary, monastery, barber surgeon, cesspit, prayer.