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Utopia and the Law and Literature Movement

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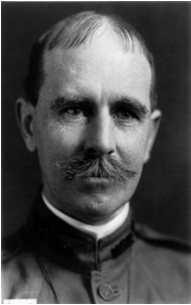


Illustration for the 1516 first edition of *Utopia*

- Utopia and the Law and Literature Movement
- Introduction to the law and literature movement
 - Three interrelated themes
 - the meaning and implications of the concepts of utopia and dystopia
 - the status of More's novel as a precursor to post-modernist literature
 - the linguistic transformation of the concept of utopia
 - Conclusions

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- Introduction to the law and literature movement



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***Libellus vere aureus,
nec minus salutaris quam festivus,
de optimo rei publicae statu deque
nova insula Utopia***

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**A truly golden booklet,
no less beneficial than entertaining,
of a republic's best state and of the
new island Utopia**

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- More's UTOPIA
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Rubrics for Linguistic Data Analysis

In identifying and analyzing usage of the terms *utopia*, *utopian*, *dystopia*, and *dystopian*, the following rules were observed.

1. Only daily or other periodic new media available through Westlaw™ were searched.
2. Only references in English, in English-language news media, were included.
3. Any usage of a subject term as a proper noun was excluded.

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Search	Selected Content	Search Terms	Frequency
<i>all utopia</i>	Journals Magazines & Newsletters, Major Newspapers	utopia or utopian	Daily
<i>NYT utopia</i>	International New York Times da(aft April 2015)	utopia or dystopia &	Daily
<i>utopia</i>	Major Newspapers, International New York Times	utopia! or dystopia!	Daily

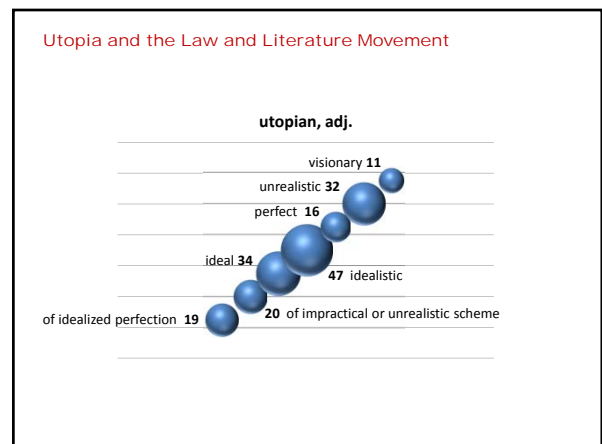
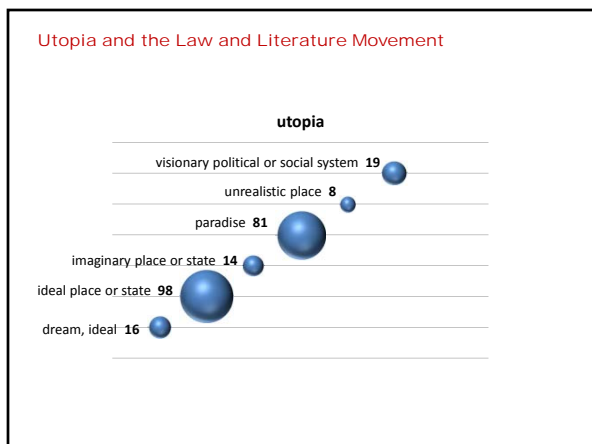
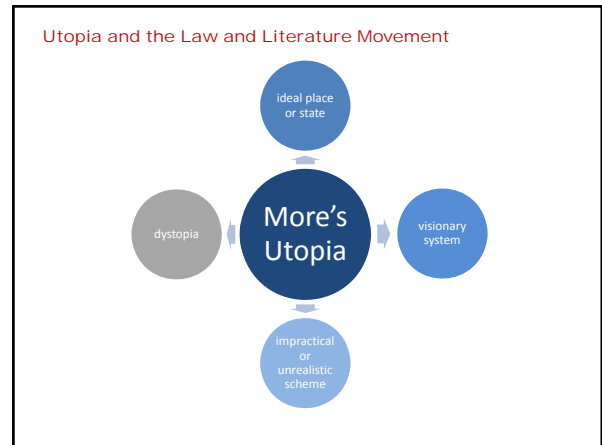
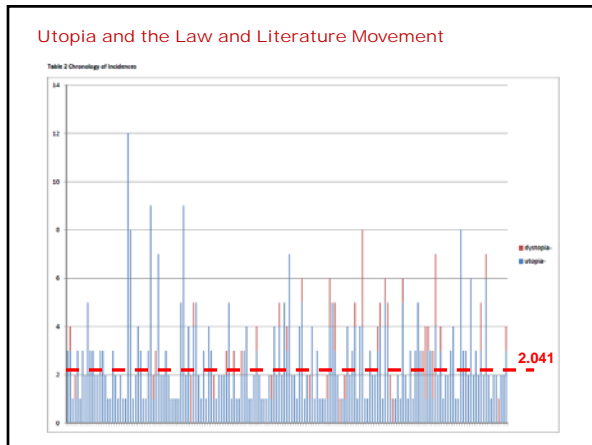
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TABLE 1 - Sources

Source	utopia-	dystopia-
14U News	1	1
Alaska Dispatch	1	
ArabianBusiness.com	2	
ArabianMoney.net	1	
Architects' Journal	2	
Architectural Review	3	
Arutz Sheva (Israel)	1	
Atlanta Journal-Constitution, The	3	2
Austin American-Statesman	2	
Australian Magazine, The	1	
Bizcommunity.com	1	
Blade, The	1	
Boston Globe	34	8
Brunch (India)	1	
BRW (Business Review Weekly)	2	
Buffalo News	6	1
Business Day (South Africa)	4	
Chicago Tribune	23	3
Daily News (Los Angeles, CA)	6	1
Daily News & Analysis	18	
Daily News Sri Lanka	4	
Dudon Daily News	4	

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New York Times, The*	45	5
Newsday (USA)	9	5
Next Web, The	1	
Nursing Times (UK)	1	
Oil & Gas News	1	
Oregon Historical Quarterly	1	
Pakistan and Gulf Economist	1	
Palestine Chronicle	1	
PA Pundits	3	
People (UK)	3	
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette	6	4
Planning (UK)	2	
Real Estate Monitor Worldwide	1	
Retailcustomerexperience.com	2	
Retirement Planner	1	
Ridenbaugh Press	1	
Seattle Times, The	6	
Sky News (UK)	1	
Sluggo O'Toole		1
Sudan Tribune	2	
Sunday Telegraph Magazine (Australia)	2	
Tampa Tribune	8	1
Tech City News	1	
Teheika	1	
Telecom Asia	2	
TheDailyBeast.com	1	
USA Today (USA)	5	



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dystopia

nightmare 9

oppressive or miserable society or political system 21

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dystopian

nightmarish 11

of oppressive or miserable society or political system 12

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- Conclusions
 - A richer and more sophisticated literary achievement than we may realize
 - Simplistic characterizations of the work in traditional literary criticism
 - Obscured by the kidnapping of the concept utopia

