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340?-270? B.C.

Greek philosopher and Aristotelian who succeeded Theophrastus as director of the Lyceum and head of the Peripatetic school of philosophy. Strato also studied physics and was the first person to note the acceleration of falling bodies. He was renowned for his work concerning the formation of a vacuum, or void, which later became the foundation of Greek designs for air and steam engines.