## The Removal of the Moon for Time-Measuring

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Sosigenes, an Alexandrian astronomer, to advise him about the reform of the calendar, and <u>Sosigenes decided that</u> <u>the only practical step was to abandon</u> <u>the lunar calendar altogether</u>. Months must be arranged on a seasonal basis, and a tropical [solar] year used, as in the



Egyptian calendar, but with its length 365.25 days." Encyclopedia Britannica, The Julian Calendar, Paragraph 1. https://www.britannica.com/science/calendar/The-Western-calendarand-calendar-reforms

"In 46 B.C. Julius Caesar asked astronomer Sosigenes to suggest ways to improve the calendar. Acting on Sosigenes suggestions, Caesar ordered the Romans to disregard the moon in calculating their calendars." World Book Encyclopedia, Vol. 3, p. 28.