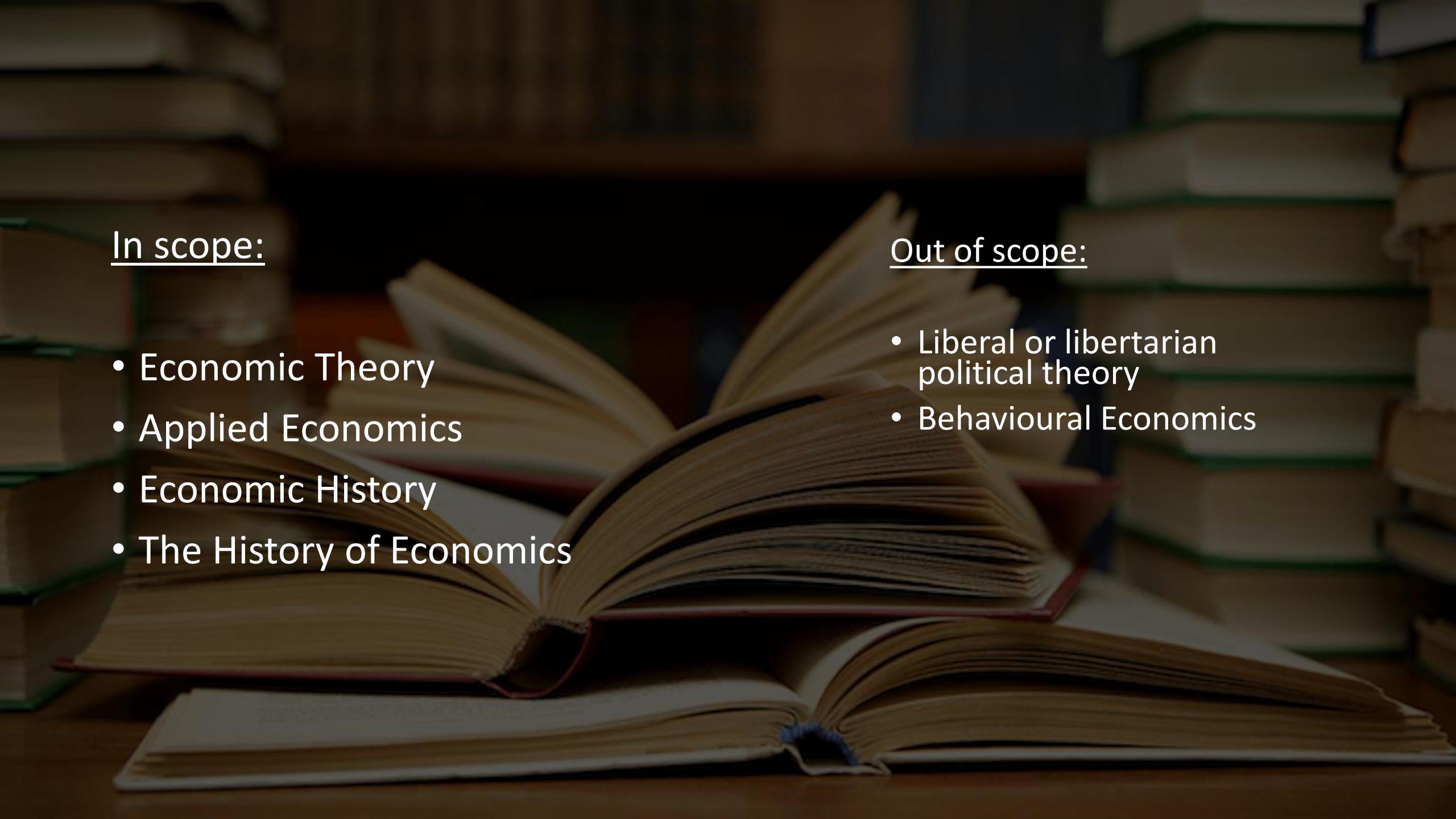




Academic Agent's Top 100 Economics Books

The background of the slide features a dark, slightly out-of-focus photograph of a stack of books. In the foreground, the top pages of an open book are visible, showing aged, yellowish-brown paper. The overall atmosphere is academic and scholarly.

In scope:

- Economic Theory
- Applied Economics
- Economic History
- The History of Economics

Out of scope:

- Liberal or libertarian political theory
- Behavioural Economics

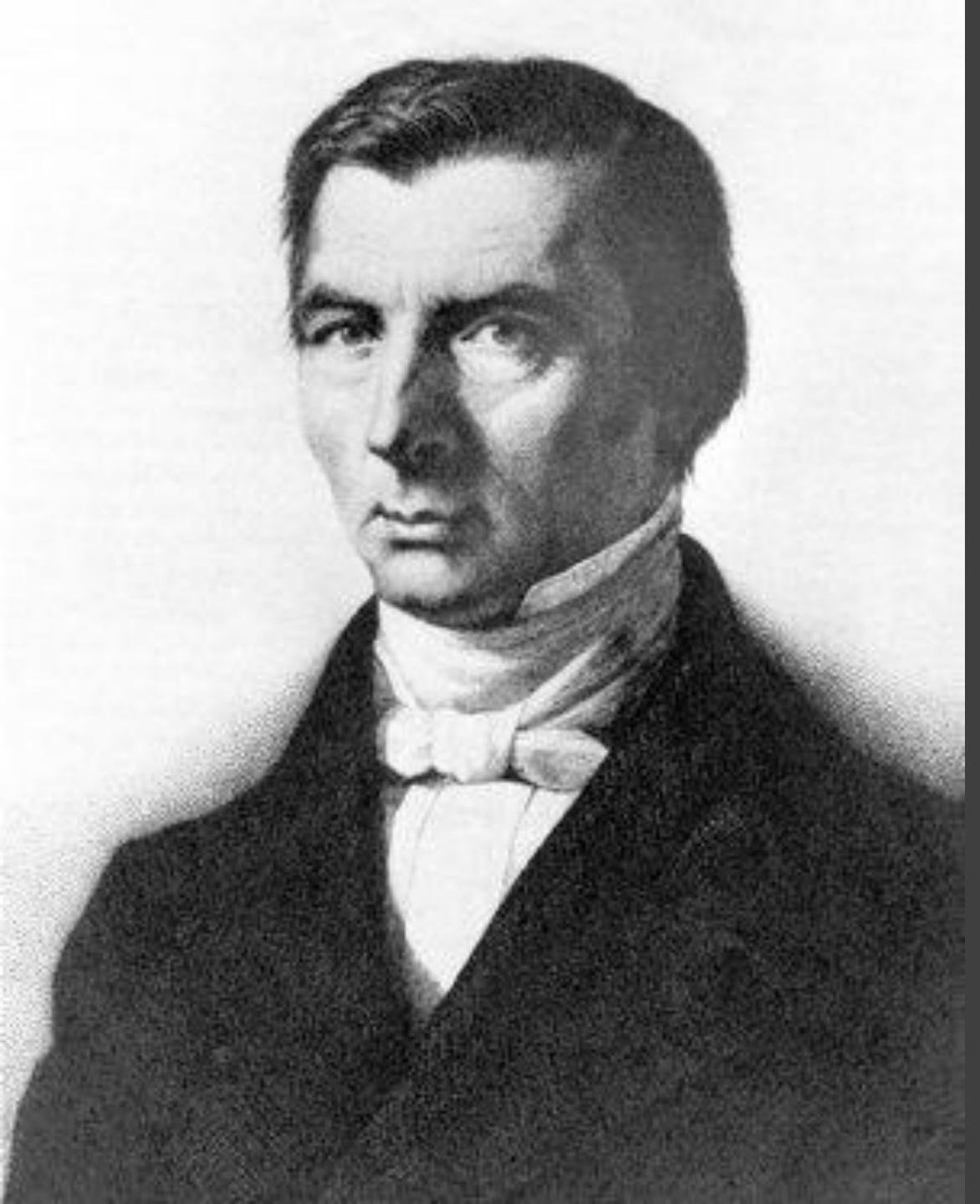
Rules

- 1. No more than five books per author.
- 2. Must be a book I own.
- 3. No more than one hundred books total.

The background of the slide features a stack of numerous old, worn books. In the foreground, one book is open, revealing aged, yellowish-brown pages. The title 'Structure' is overlaid on the left side of the open book.

Structure

1. Economic Theory: Classical
2. Economic Theory: Marginal Turn
3. Economic Theory: Modern
4. Applied Economics
5. Economic History
6. History of Economics
7. Individual Authors (4-5 entries)
8. Absolute Top 10



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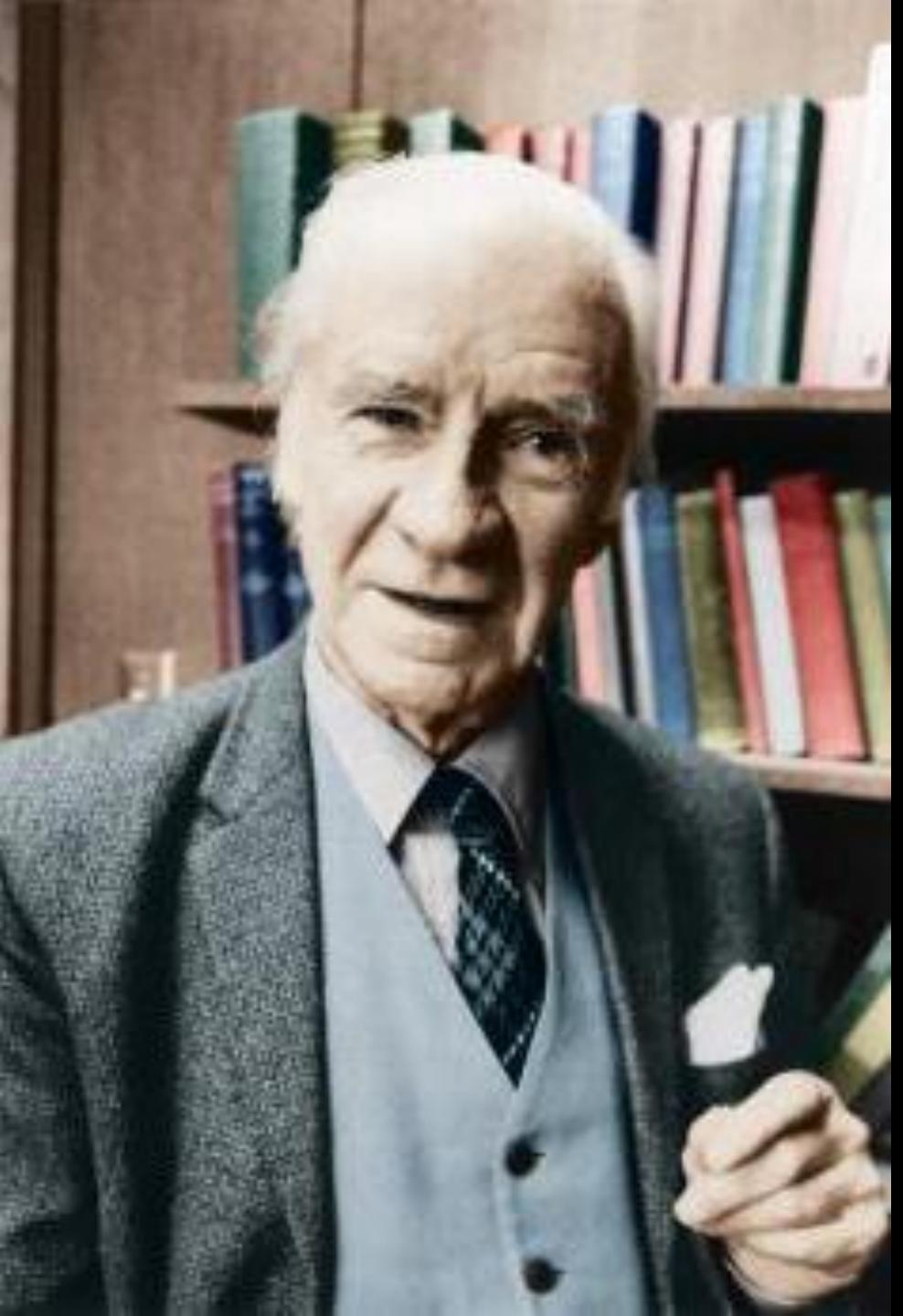
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