

Francesc Eiximenis

An Anthology

Introduction and selection of texts by
Xavier Renedo and David Guixeras

Translated by Robert D. Hughes



Contents

- Introduction, 7
- The life of Francesc Eiximenis, 19
- Translator's preface, 23
- Table of abbreviations of Eiximenis' works, 25

I FROM PARADISE TO THE CITY

- 1 On human ignorance, 29
- 2 Paths to wisdom, 31
- 3 Teachers, books and sermons, 44
- 4 The *translatio studii*, 52

II EDUCATION IN THE HOME

- 1 Parents and children, 67
- 2 The education of children, 69
- 3 On chastisement, 77
- 4 On how to correct sloth, 90
- 5 On how to reform feminine wickedness, 93

III EDUCATION AND SOCIETY

- 1 The sovereign's books, 105
- 2 The studies of citizens, 108
- 3 The studies of a knight, 112
- 4 The studies of women, 114
- 5 The schooling of children, 128
- 6 The education of servants, 142

IV EDUCATION AT SCHOOL

- 1 On the sense of hearing, 147
- 2 Regarding one's teacher, 151
- 3 Teaching and the spoken word, 153
- 4 Education and playfulness, 154
- 5 Diet and how to live, 158