The Victorian Period

1. Chronological Order

2. Textbook History Grid

3. Genre
   - Poetry
   - Prose
   - Drama

Chronological Order

1834 Sartor Resartus, Thomas Carlyle (1795, Scotland-1881)
   1833-1834 Printed in Fraser's Magazine
   1834 (London); 1836 (Boston) - Printed in America Emerson's influence.

1833 (London) Poems, Alfred Lord Tennyson (1809, England-1892)

1838 (London) Oliver Twist, or, The Parish Boys Progress, Charles Dickens (1812-1870)
   1837-1839 printed in Bentley's Miscellany by 'Baz', Journal edited by Dickens

1847 Jane Eyre; an autobiography edited by Currer Bell Charlotte Brontë (1816, England-1855)

1847 Wuthering Heights: A novel by Ellis Bell, Emily Brontë (1818, England-1848)

1848 (London) Vanity Fair: A novel without a hero, with illustrations on wood and steel by the author, William Makepeace Thackeray (1811 Calcutta, Bengal, India-1863)
1847-1848 Serialized as *Vanity Fair: pen and pencil sketches of English society in 20 monthly parts*


1850 *Poems*, Elizabeth Barrett Browning (1806, England-1861)

1853 (London) *Cranford*, Elizabeth Gaskell (1810 England-1865)

1852-1853 Serialized in *Household Words*

1857 (London) *Aurora Leigh*, Elizabeth Barrett Browning (1806, England-1861)


  First performed in New York, then London; Vehicle for Bouicault's acting career
  Based on Irish writer Gerald Griffin's *The Collegians, A Tale of Garryowen* (1829)


  1865 - First performance


  1880 - Serialized in *Blackwood's Magazine*


1892 *The Book of the Rhymers’ Club*, Ryhmers’ Club (Ernest Rhys & W.B. Yeats, founders, 1890-1894)


1894 (Boston) *The Second Mrs. Tanqueray*, Arthur Wing Pinero (1855, England-1934)

1893 - First performance, London

1893 (London) *The Importance of Being Earnest: A trivial comedy for serious people*, Oscar Wilde (1854, Ireland-1900)


1897 (London) *Dracula*, Bram Stoker (1847, Ireland-1912)

1898 (London) *Wessex Poems and Other Verses*, Thomas Hardy (1840, English-1928)


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**Textbook History Grid**

**1830's**

- 1826 - Insolvent Debtor's Act
- 1832 - The First Reform Act
- 1833 - Slavery Abolition Act
- 1834 - New Poor Law - Poor Law Amendment Act
- 1834 - Working Men's Association - Trade union movement
- 1837 - Victoria becomes queen
- 1838 - Rise of Chartism

**1840's**

- "The Hungry 40's" - clash between agricultural old world and industrial new world, economic downturn
- 1846 - The Corn Laws repealed