The Victorian Period

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Chronological Order

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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
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the author, William Makepeace Thackeray (1811 Calcutta, Bengal, India-1863)

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1847-1848 Serialized as Vanity Fair: pen and pencil sketches of English society in 20
monthly parts
1850 (London) Olive: a novel, Dinah Maria Mulock Craik (1826 England-1887)
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)
1858 (London) The Defense of Guenevere and Other Poets, William Morris (1834,
England-1896)
1860 (London) The Colleen Bawn: or, The brides of Garryowen, Dion [Dionysius Lardner
Boursiquot] Boucicault (1820, Ireland-1890)
  First performed in New York, then London; Vehicle for Boucicault's acting career
  Based on Irish writer Gerald Griffin's The Collegians, A Tale of Garryowen (1829)
1862 (London) Lady Audley's Secret, Mary Elizabeth Braddon (1837, England-1915)
1862 (London) Goblin Market and Other Poems, Christina Rossetti (1830, England-1894)
1866 (London) Society, A Comedy in Three Acts, T.W. (Thomas William) Robertson (1829,
England-1871)
  1865 - First performance
1867 (London) New Poems, Matthew Arnold (1822, England-1888)
1867 (London) Culture and Anarchy: An essay in political and social criticism, Matthew
Arnold (1822, England-1888)
1872 (Edinburgh) Middlemarch: A study of provincial life, George (Mary Anne) Eliot (1819,
England-1880)
1881 (London) Dr. Wortle's School: a novel, Anthony Trollope (1815, England-1882)
  1880 - Serialized in Blackwood's Magazine
1882 (London) All Sorts and Conditions of Men: An impossible story, Walter Besant (1836,
England-1901)
1883 (London) The Story of an African Farm: a novel by Ralph Iron, Olive Schreiner (1855,
Cape Colony, South Africa-1920)
1884 (London) The Art of England, Lectures given at Oxford, John Ruskin (1819,
England-1900)
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1892 The Book of the Rhymers' Club, Ryhmers' Club (Ernest Rhys & W.B. Yeats, founders, 1890-1894)
1892 (London) The Odd Women, George Gissing (1857, England-1903)
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)
1896 (London) A Child of the Jago, Arthur Morrison (1863, England-1945)
1897 (London) Dracula, Bram Stoker (1847, Ireland-1912)
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1898 (London) Wessex Poems and Other Verses, Thomas Hardy (1840, English-1928)

1918 (London) Poems of Gerard Manley Hopkins, Gerard Manley Hopkins (1844,

Edited by Robert Bridges

England-1885)

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