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Romantic Literature Reading List

1. Edmund Burke

A Philosophical Inquiry into the Origin of our Ideas on the Sublime and Beautiful
selections from *Reflection on the Revolution in France*

2. Thomas Paine

Rights of Man

3. William Hazlitt

"What is the People"
"Character of Mr. Burke"
"Malthus"
"The French Revolution"
"Modern Comedy"
"On Poetry in General"
"Milton"
"Shakespeare"
from *The Spirit of the Age*
"Mr. Coleridge"
"Lord Byron"

4. Samuel Taylor Coleridge

All conversation poems
"Effusion XXXV" (1796)
"The Eolian Harp (Effusion XXXV)" (revised 1828)
"Fears in Solitude"
"Frost at Midnight"
"The Nightingale; A Conversational Poem, Written in April, 1798" (from
Lyrical Ballads)
"This Lime-Tree Bower My Prison"
"Dejection: An Ode, Written April 4, 1802"
The Rime of the Ancient Marinere (1798)
The Rime of the Ancient Mariner (1817)
Christabel
"Kubla Khan"
Biographia Literaria
Chapter XIII—on the Imagination
Chapter XIV—*Lyrical Ballads* and Poetic Controversy
Chapter XVII—Poetic Language

5. William Wordsworth

The Prelude (1805) and Book XIV of the 1850 edition
Lyrical Ballads (1798, 1800)

- from *Poems in Two Volumes*:
 "Resolution and Independence"
 "Elegiac Stanzas"
 "Ode: Intimation of Immortality"
 all the sonnets
6. Lord Byron, George Gordon
 Childe Harold's Pilgrimage
 Manfred
7. Lord Byron, George Gordon
 Don Juan
8. Dorothy Wordsworth
 Grasmere Journals
9. William Blake
 The Book of Thel
 America
 The Marriage of Heaven and Hell
 The Book of Urizen
 Visions of the Daughters of Albion
10. Thomas DeQuincey
 Confessions of an English Opium-Eater
- 11 Percy Shelley
 "Mont Blanc"
 "Ode to the West Wind"
 "Adonais"
 The Cenci
 A Defense of Poetry
12. Edward Gibbon
 selections from *The Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire* (in Tillotson's
 Eighteenth Century English Literature)
13. John Keats
 All the sonnets and odes
 "The Eve of St. Agnes"
 "Lamia"
 "Hyperion"
 "The Fall of Hyperion"
 All letters

14. Charles Lamb
 - "The Old Familiar Faces"
 - "On the Tragedies of Shakespeare"
 - "Christ's Hospital Five and Thirty Years Ago"
 - "Dream-Children: A Reverie"
 - "A Dissertation upon Roast Pig"
 - "The Superannuated Man"
15. Ann Radcliffe
 - The Mysteries of Udolpho*
16. Joanna Baillie
 - Montfort*
 - Basil*
 - Introductory Discourse to a Series of Plays on the Passions*
17. William Godwin
 - Caleb Williams*
18. Sir Walter Scott
 - Waverly*
19. Mary Godwin Shelley
 - Frankenstein*
20. William Cowper
 - The Task*

Secondary Texts

1. M.H. Abrams
 - Natural Supernaturalism*
2. Keith Hanley and Raman Selden, eds.
 - Revolution and English Romanticism*
3. Marilyn Butler
 - Romantics, Rebels, and Reactionaries*
4. Thomas McFarland
 - Coleridge and Pantheism*
5. Carl Woodring
 - Politics and English Romantic Poetry*
6. Harold Bloom

The Visionary Company

7. David Erdman

Prophet Against Empire

8. Jerome J. McGann

The Romantic Ideology

9. Frederick Burwick

Poetic Madness

10. William St. Clair

The Reading Nation