

## English Literature and History Assignment 21

- *poetry memorization*. Memorize Christina Rossetti's "Another Spring," stanzas 1–2.
- *literature*. Complete Lesson 21 in your study guide and complete the accompanying reading. This week you will be reading poetry by Byron (top right) and Shelley (bottom right).
- *English history*. Read English History, chapter 15.

### Long Range Assignment

- *personal narrative*. You will be writing a narrative for speech night, which you may also choose for speech night. The narrative will be about an experience (preferably humorous) that you had. The page limit is 1½ to 2 pages—no more. The assignment is due the third week of February.
- *speech night*. Speech Night will involve a play on the various periods, with an introduction as to when would you like to live, describing the period. Your dramatic monolog will involve telling the audience about the literary work, at the same revealing who you are. The speech will be from 1–1½ pages typed, double-spaced—no more. The assignment is due the first week of March.

### Briton Period

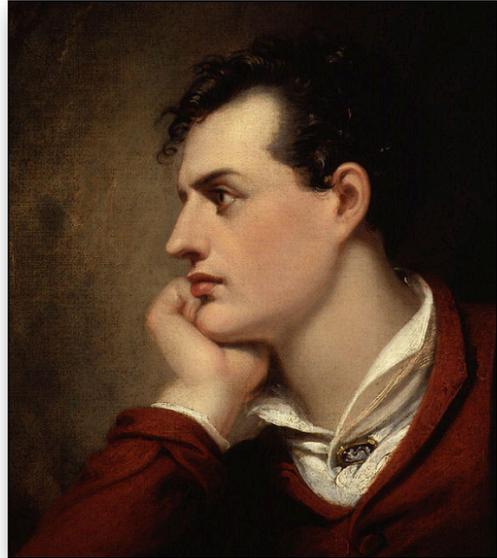
King Lear  
Lady of Shalott  
Boadicea

### Middle Ages

Caedmon  
Anglo-Saxons (Riddles)  
Geoffrey Chaucer  
Robin Hood talks about the ballad "Robin Hood Turns Butcher"

### Elizabethan Period

William Shakespeare's wife on his plays and poems (Lear, Macbeth, and Sonnets)  
Daniel Defoe and Journal of the Plague Year  
Samuel Pepys The Great Fire of London



John Milton on his blindness and Paradise Lost

### **Neoclassical Period**

Frances Burney on Being Chased by the King

Jane Austen talking about marriage and Pride and Prejudice

Hannah More talks about fortune-tellers and “Tawney Rachel”

Miss Jeany Lunardi, the subject of the poem by Robert Burns’ poem “To a Louse”

### **Romantic Period**

Goody Blake of Wordsworth’s poem “Goody Blake and Harry Gill”

Charles Lamb talks about getting sick (“The Convalescent”)

Robert Southey talks about war and “Battle of Blenheim”

John Clare talks about himself and his poetry, including “Written in Northampton County Asylum”

The little girl in “We Are Seven” talks about the poem.

### **Victorian Period**

Lewis Carroll talks about the Liddell children and Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland

Christina Rossetti talks about her life and “May”

Gerard Manley Hopkins talks about the destruction of nature and his poetry, including “God’s Grandeur” and “Pied Beauty”

### **Early 20th Century**

William Butler Yeats talks about himself and his poetry, particularly “When You Are Old”

Rupert Brooke talks about World War I and his poem “The Soldier”