



ANNO SCOLASTICO 2024-2025
Classe: 4BS

MATERIA: LINGUA INGLESE

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ORE SETTIMANALI: 3

Libro di testo: *Firewords – From the origins to the Romantic Age*, vol.1, ed. Dea Scuola

PROGRAMMA SVOLTO

Module 1

John Milton - life and works

from '*Paradise Lost*' - Book 1 'Better to reign in hell, than serve in heav'n' p. 171

Module 2

Historical context – The Restoration and the last Stuarts, The first Hanoverian kings

Cultural context – London and the Court, The Augustan Age, The Rise of the middle class, The beginning of journalism

Daniel Defoe - life and works

from '*Robinson Crusoe*' 'A safe home' pp. 208-209
'Man Friday' p. 210

Jonathan Swift - life and works

from '*Gulliver's Travels*' 'The history and politics of Lilliput' p. 218
'The peaceful horses' pp. 220-221

Module 3

Historical context – King George III, The American Revolution, The French Revolution, The War against France and the Congress of Vienna, Luddite Riots and the Corn law, King George IV, King William IV (pp. 244-245), The Industrial Revolution (pp. 246-247).

Cultural context – The Romantic Revolution, The early Romantic poetry (p. 250), Romantic themes, First-generation Romantics, Second-generation Romantics (pp. 268-269)

Romantic themes

Module 4

W. Blake - life and works

from '*Songs of Innocence*' The Lamb p. 260

from '*Songs of Experience*' The Tyger p. 262

W. Wordsworth - life and works

Preface to '*Lyrical Ballads*' p. 274

from *Poems in two volumes* 'I wandered lonely as a cloud' p. 278

S.T. Coleridge – life and works

From '*The Rime of the Ancient Mariner*' 'It is an ancient mariner' / 'Farewell, farewell' pp. 286-289

Per quanto riguarda il modulo di EDUCAZIONE CIVICA sono state svolte lezioni sull'argomento:

CULTURAL REVOLUTION

In particolare, sono stati approfonditi i seguenti argomenti:

- The Augustan Age and the rise of the middle class
- The 18th century, as the Golden Age, a time of surprising broad views and growing freedoms (article from the site: <https://lrcapuana.com/2016/09/30/the-rise-of-the-middle-class-and-the-novel/>)
- The role of Coffee-houses in English Literature (video lesson)
- The rise of journalism (Richardson and Steel), The birth of the novel (D. Defoe) from the site: <https://www.english-culture.com/rise-of-journalism/>

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