

ENGLISH LITERATURE OF THE ROMANTIC PERIOD, 1798 - 1832

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INTENDED AUDIENCE: Any interested learners

COURSE OUTLINE:

This is intended as a survey of one of the most significant periods in English literature, the Romantic Age. It provides the socio-cultural backgrounds, key features of the poetry and fiction and an introduction to some of the key poets and poems from the period. In addition it also offers a brief account of the principal aesthetic theories that informed the poetry, and an introduction to the visual arts of the period. It concludes with a short introduction to the orientalism that marked the age's literature.

ABOUT INSTRUCTOR:

Prof. Pramod K Nayar teaches at the Dept of English, the University of Hyderabad. Among his most recent books are Bhopal's Ecological Gothic (Lexington, 2017), Human Rights and Literature (Palgrave-Macmillan, 2017), The Extreme in Contemporary Culture (Rowman and Littlefield, 2017). He is the editor of English Romantic Poetry: An Anthology (Orient BlackSwan, 2013). Forthcoming is Brand Postcolonial: The 'Third World' Text and the Global (de Gruyter).

COURSE PLAN:

Week 1: Backgrounds 1

Week 2: Backgrounds 2

Week 3: Romantic Prose

Week 4: Romanticism and Sentiment

Week 5: Romantic Literature: Nature, the Environment and Ecology

Week 6: Romantic Literature and Art: Aesthetics

Week 7: Romantic Literature: Politics

Week 8: Romantic Literature: Empire and Orientalism