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#### ETÀ ROMANTICA

- Francesco Orlando: Introduzione al saggio di Mario Praz, "*La carne, la morte e il diavolo nella letteratura romantica*". (materiale reso disponibile sulla piattaforma Spaggiari, nella sezione 'Didattica')
- Mario Praz: "Le metamorfosi di Satana" (in "La carne, la morte e il diavolo nella letteratura romantica". Pp. 57-84. ('Didattica')
- Mary Shelley: "Author's introduction to the Standard Novels Edition (1831)"
  Penguin, pp.5-10.
- Notes on Mary Shelley and Frankenstein (1818): Amazing Minds, pp. 240-242.
- Mary Shelley: Frankenstein (extract) in Amazing Minds, Longman Pearson, pp. 243-244.

### THE VICTORIAN AGE

- Notes on The Victorian Age and "The Victorian Compromise": *Amazing Minds*, pp. 256-257; 262-263; *Performer* (Zanichelli), pp. 227-229.
- Emily Brontë: notes on her life and introduction to *Wuthering Heights* (1847), *Amazing Minds*, pp. 275-276.
- Emily Brontë: *Wuthering Heights*, chapter 10 (extract: "Heathcliff", in *Insights into Literature*, DeA Scuola, pp. 225-227) 'Didattica'
- Kate Bush: "Wuthering Heights" (1977) lyrics uploaded on 'Didattica'
- Charlotte Brontë, notes on her life and introduction to *Jane Eyre*: *Amazing Minds*, pp. 284-286.
- Franco Zeffirelli, Jane Eyre (film, 1996).
- Edgar Allan Poe: notes on his life and the short story "The Oval Portrait" (in *Insights into Literature*, pp. 229-234) material uploaded on 'Didattica'.
- Edgar Allan Poe: "The Philosophy of Composition" (1846) pdf file uploaded on 'Didattica'.
- Nathaniel Hawthorne: notes on his life, in *Insights into Literature*, p. 266 ('Didattica') Life and characters in Puritan Colonial times in America (teacher's notes).
- Nathaniel Hawthorne: "The Sunshine Doesn't Love You" (extract from *The Scarlet Letter*, 1850, in *Insights into Literature*, pp. 267-269. ('Didattica')
- Nathaniel Hawthorne: "Young Goodman Brown" (full short story uploaded on 'Didattica' Feltrinelli, pp. 250-261).
- Herman Melville: n)otes on his life (Insights into Literature, p. 270) 'Didattica'

- Herman Melville: *Moby Dick* Chapter 1 (text downloaded from "The Gutenberg Project" and uploaded on 'Didattica') and chapter 105 (text downloaded from "The Gutenberg Project" and uploaded on 'Didattica').
- Charles Dickens: notes on his life (*Amazing Minds*, pp. 290-293): characters of his realism and comparisons with Italian Verismo; the role of Dickens' *Deus-ex-Machina* in his early literary production (teacher's notes).
- Charles Dickens: "A Man of Reality" (extract from *Hard Times*, 1854: material from *Insights into Literature*, teacher's book; plus "Coketown", extract from *Hard Times*, in *Insights into Literature*, pp. 258-260.

#### THE AGE OF AESTHETICISM and DECADENCE

- Oscar Wilde: notes on his life (Amazing Minds, pp. 321-323).
- Oscar Wilde: "The Preface" (from *The Picture of Dorian Gray*, 1890), *Amazing Minds*, pp. 323-324.
- Robert Louis Stevenson: notes on his life and introduction to *The Strange Case of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde* (*Amazing Minds*, pp. 316-318) characters, setting and themes.
- Robert Louis Stevenson: *The Strange Case of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde*, extract taken from Chapter 10 ("The Duality of Man"; "The Transformation", from *Insights into Literature*, pp. 297-302) 'Didattica'.
- Maurice Phillips, Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde (film, 2002).

#### THE AGE OF ANXIETY

- Introduction to the XX century: the loss of certainties and the factors that produce great changes in the life and in the mind of people (*Amazing Minds*, pp. 346-347; 352-357).
- Pre-Modernist Writers and the emergence of the "New Woman" (teacher's notes).
- Kate Chopin: notes on her life (teacher's notes) + two short stories ("The Story of an Hour" and "The Father of Désirée's Baby: from Penguin Edition, in 'Didattica').
- The War Poets: Robert Brooke and "The Soldier", 1915 (*Amazing Minds*, pp. 363-364); Sigfried Sassoon and "Suicide in the Trenches" (*Amazing Minds*, pp. 368-369); Wilfred Owen and "Dulce et Decorum Est" (*Performer*, pp. 332-333 'Didattica').
- Edith Wharton: notes on her life and literary production (teacher's notes); The House of Mirth (1905) and The Age of Innocence (1920) – main features of both novels (teacher's notes).
- Terence Davies, The House of Mirth (film, 2000).
- Imagism, Ezra Pound and a few of most representative imagist poems by Ezra Pound, William Carlos William, Amy Lowell, and Thomas Ernest Hulme: "In a Station of the Metro" (1913); "This is just to Say" (1914); "Above the Deck"; "A Year Passes" (material provided and uploaded on 'Didattica').
- Introduction to Modernism (teacher's notes).
- Thomas Stearns Eliot and the characters of his poetry (*Amazing Minds*, pp. 371-372; "The Burial of the Dead" and Dante Alighieri (extract from *The*

*Waste Land*, 1922, *Insights into Literature*, pp. 326-327): "the mythical method" and a multi-dimensional/multi-vocal poetic narration; the 'objective correlative' (*Amazing Minds*, p. 376); Eliot's debt with the French symbolist poets and Ezra Pound

- Introduction to James Joyce: notes on his life and his relationship with Ireland (*Amazing Minds*, p. 394).
- James Joyce: *Dubliners* (1914), *Amazing Minds*, pp. 395-396 + "Eveline" (EBD digital publication, pp. 25-29): the use of "epiphany" and "paralysis".
- James Joyce: *Ulysses* (1922), schema and characters and experimentalism in this novel; "Yes I said Yes I Will Yes" (*Amazing Minds*, pp. 400-401).
- Virginia Woolf: notes on her life and literary characters (*Amazing Minds*, pp. 402-404), including "Mrs Dalloway said she would buy the flowers" (extract from *Mrs Dalloway*, 1925).
- George Orwell: The dystopic novel (1984, an anti-totalitarian novel), *Amazing Minds*, pp. 417-419; the role and the safeguard of memory; "Big Brother is Watching You", (*Performer*, pp. 394-395, material uploaded on Didattica).
- Michael Cunningham: the recuperation of literary values of the past, the life and the problems of XXI-century people *The Hours* (1998)
- Steven Daldry, *The Hours* (film, 2002).

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