

Liceo Scientifico "Pitagora"
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PROGRAMMA DI LINGUA E LETTERATURA INGLESE
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Grammar Revision

- Past perfect
- Would and the conditionals (zero, first, second, third) mixed conditional
- Passive (passive with two objects)
- It is said, people say that..
- I wish/if only

MODULE 1: THE RENAISSANCE AND THE PURITAN AGE

Historical background

Timeline

The Early Stuarts: James I, The Gunpowder Plot, Charles I

The civil War and the Commonwealth: the two parties and the birth of the political parties;
Cromwell and the Commonwealth

MODULE 2: THE RESTAURATION AND THE AUGUSTAN AGE

Timeline

The Restoration of the monarchy: Charles II, James II, The Act of Settlement and the Act of Union

The Hanovers: the First Prime Minister

Literary background: the circulation of ideas and the birth of the coffee Houses;
the role of women, the new reading public

The Augustan Age: the rise of the Novel; the Age of Journalism

Daniel Defoe: *Robinson Crusoe* and the realistic novel: themes, plot, interpretations

Reading : *Man Friday*

Jonathan Swift: the King of satire, main works, a misanthropist

Gulliver's Travels: themes, plot, setting, the character of Gulliver, interpretations

Tim's Take "Gullible Gulliver" video by Tim Parks

MODULE 3: THE ROMANTIC AGE

Historical background: An age of revolutions, Industrial society, the workers 'life, the role of children

The Gothic novel

Mary Shelley:

Frankenstein or The Modern Prometheus: plot, main themes, the concept of the over-reacher

Reading: *The creation of the monster*

Several extracts/videos from movies based on the novel

Romantic poetry: the role of the imagination, the figure of the child, nature, the role of the poet
The Romantic writers of the first generation

The Preface to *The Lyrical Ballads*

Blake: the poet, literary production,

From *The Songs of Innocence: The Chimney Sweeper*

From *The Songs of Experience: London*

Wordsworth: life, main themes, the role of nature, the importance of memory and imagination

The Poem: Daffodils

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