



# CANNOCK CHASE HIGH SCHOOL

A C H I E V E M E N T F O R A L L



## Researching Historical Periods – Summer Task

This research project will underpin your understanding of the whole course.

**You will complete a revision handout/poster for each of the following periods of literary history:**

- The Renaissance and Reformation (1485-1660 CE)
- The Enlightenment (Neoclassical) Period (1660-1790)
- Romantic period (c. 1790-1830)
- Victorian period and the 19th Century (c. 1832-1901)
- Modern period (c. 1914-1945?)
- Postmodern period (c. 1945? Onward)

**The research must cover the following areas:**

- A definition
- The typicality of this type of writing
- Examples of this type of writing
- What historical elements/events would have influenced the writing
- Famous texts
- Famous writers

**On your handout, plot where these key texts appear:**

- **Othello**
- **A Streetcar Named Desire**
- **The Handmaid's Tale**
- **Frankenstein**
- **The Great Gatsby**
- **The poem – London**

### Useful websites

<http://www.online-literature.com/periods/>

[https://web.cn.edu/kwheeler/documents/Periods\\_Lit\\_History.pdf](https://web.cn.edu/kwheeler/documents/Periods_Lit_History.pdf)

<https://www.thoughtco.com/british-literary-periods-739034>