

FURTHER RESEARCH

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Geoffrey Chaucer

USEFUL WEBSITES

- 1 <http://hompi.sogang.ac.kr/anthony/Chaucer/>
Information about Chaucer's life and pictures of life in medieval England.
- 2 www.bbc.co.uk/history/british/middle_ages/black_01.shtml
Account of the plague (Black Death) in medieval Britain.
- 3 www.historylearningsite.co.uk/peasants_revolt.htm
Account of the Peasants' Revolt in 1381.
- 4 www.bl.uk/onlinegallery/onlineex/englit/chaucer/
Chaucer and why he wrote *The Canterbury Tales*. For information about the main characters in *The Canterbury Tales*, www.bookrags.com/notes/ct/chr.html.

PRINTED RESOURCES

The Canterbury Tales (Puffin Classics) (Chaucer, Geoffrey; adapted by McCaughrean, Geraldine)

William Shakespeare

USEFUL WEBSITES

- 1 www.english-online.at/history/elizabethan-theatre/shakespeares-theatre.htm
Differences between the theatre in Shakespeare's time and modern theatre. For a virtual tour of the Globe Theatre of Shakespeare's time, see www.english.cam.ac.uk/converse/movies/sound_globe.swf.
For an account of how Sam Wanamaker, American actor, director and producer rebuilt the Globe Theatre in modern London, see www.shakespearesglobe.com/about-us/history-of-the-globe/rebuilding-the-globe.
- 2 www.shakespeare.org.uk
Detailed information about Shakespeare's life. Contains video clips about the buildings and gardens related to his life in Stratford-upon-Avon, and the Shakespeare Festival.
- 3 www.nosweatshakespeare.com
An overview of Shakespeare's plays, characters, stories and themes.
- 4 www.bbc.co.uk/history/people/william_shakespeare
Information about Shakespeare's life, with related links, including a link to Shakespeare Unlocked, which shows clips from his major plays: www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p00qg1kg

PRINTED RESOURCES

Shakespeare on Toast: Getting a Taste for the Bard (Icon Books) by Ben Crystal

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PLACES TO VISIT

Shakespeare's Globe, London, United Kingdom A reconstruction of the Globe Theatre where Shakespeare's plays were originally performed.

Charles Dickens

USEFUL WEBSITES

- 1 charlesdickenspage.com/
Extensive information about Dickens's novels, characters, Dickens's London, Dickens in America with links to many other sites.
- 2 www.dickensmuseum.com
Information about the Charles Dickens Museum in London.
- 3 www.theguardian.com/books/video/2012/feb/07/charles-dickens-london-simon-callow-video
A video tour through Dickens's London with commentary on the important places in his life.
- 4 www.pbs.org/wnet/dickens/life_critic2.html
Dickens as social critic, with links to other aspects of his life, and contemporary authors.
- 5 entertainment.howstuffworks.com/arts/literature/18-memorable-character-names-from-the-works-of-charles-dickens.htm
Twenty of Dickens's most memorable characters with short descriptions.

PLACES TO VISIT

Charles Dickens Museum, London, United Kingdom

Dickens lived in this house from 1837–1839 and wrote *Oliver Twist* and *Nicholas Nickleby* there. It is now a museum containing a large collection of his artefacts, including paintings and personal items.

Victor Hugo

USEFUL WEBSITES

- 1 www.biography.com/people/victor-hugo-9346557
Information about Hugo's life and works.
- 2 www.smithsonianmag.com/travel/take-a-tour-of-victor-hugos-paris-171769919
Hugo's Paris containing descriptions of places featured in his novels and his life.
- 3 www.telegraph.co.uk/travel/destinations/europe/france/9800519/Les-Miserables-Victor-Hugos-France.html
Article written following the release of the film *Les Misérables* in 2012, with information about Hugo's life.
- 4 www.lesmis.com/
Information about the stage production of *Les Misérables* with story synopsis, history and characters.
- 5 www.telegraph.co.uk/culture/books/artsandentertainmentbooksreview/7945634/Real-life-Quasimodo-uncovered-in-Tate-archives.html
Article about the hunchback who was a possible inspiration for Quasimodo at Notre Dame.
- 6 www.aviewoncities.com/paris/notredame.htm
Notre Dame Cathedral, the setting for the story of *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*.

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Leo Tolstoy

USEFUL WEBSITES

- 1 www.imdb.com/name/nm0866243/
Information about Tolstoy's life and works, including links to clips of films of *Anna Karenina* and *War and Peace*.
- 2 www.lev-tolstoy.com
Tolstoy's timeline: life, biography and writings.
- 3 www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=15244466
Love and Hate: A Tolstoy Family Tale. Tolstoy's marriage to Sonya, with diary entries from Leo and Sonya.
- 4 www.russianmuseums.info/M299 and www.russianmuseums.info/M531
The Leo Tolstoy State Museum in Moscow and the Leo Tolstoy Museum-Estate at Yasnaya Polyana.

PRINTED RESOURCES

Tolstoy: A Russian Life (Profile Books) by Rosamund Bartlett

Rudyard Kipling

USEFUL WEBSITES

- 1 www.kipling.org.uk/kip_fra.htm
Extensive information about Kipling's life and works.
- 2 www.biography.com/people/rudyard-kipling-9365581
Kipling's life, biography and works.
- 3 www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-1264768/Tragic-story-Kiplings-Jungle-Book-comes-116-years-published.html
Article about the finding of a rare edition of *The Jungle Book* dedicated to Kipling's daughter.
- 4 www.bl.uk/onlinegallery/onlineex/englit/kipling/
The Just-So Stories and information about Kipling's life.
- 5 www.poetryfoundation.org/poem/175772#poem
Kipling's famous poem *If* with links to further information about the poem and Kipling's life.