

Old Western Culture

A Christian Approach to the Great Books

Year 4: Early Moderns

Unit 2

Poetry & Politics

Romantic and Victorian Poets in the Age of Revolution

Exam A & B



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Exam A

ESSAY QUESTIONS

1. What is the Enlightenment? (10 pts)

2. In the essay by Lewis, he looks at several moments in the past as possible key turning points in history. List out 4 of them. (10 pts)

3. Where does C.S. Lewis place the key turning point in history? (10 pts)

4. Edmund Burke is the father of what political vision? (10 pts)

5. What are the three key rights that Burke says the French are interested in? (10 pts)

6. What does the word "romance" mean? (10 pts)

7. What does Alexis De Toqueville hope will come from his study of democracy in America? (10 pts)

8. What is the danger in how Tennyson handles Reason and Faith? (10 pts)

9. What is a dramatic monologue? (10 pts)

10. What is a sonnet? (10 pts)



EXTRA CREDIT

11. What are the five key characteristics of the Romantic Movement?

(BONUS FOR EXTRA CREDIT. 5 Pts.)

12. What is the danger of trying to evaluate works in western culture that are close to our own time?

(BONUS FOR EXTRA CREDIT. 5 pts)



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Exam B

ESSAY QUESTIONS

1. What is the Enlightenment? (10 pts)

2. What is a tetrameter? What is a dimeter? What is an iambic foot? What is a trochaic foot? (10 pts)

3. Where does C.S. Lewis place the key turning point in history? (10 pts)

4. What do conservatives believe? (10 pts)

5. How does Burke use Marie Antoinette as an example of what the French have destroyed in the revolution? (10 pts)

6. The Romantic Movement is a reaction to what movement? (10 pts)

7. What is the law of Primogeniture? Is this a practice in America? (10 pts)

8. What theme from the Romantic Movement does Poe focus on? (10 pts)



9. What is Browning's idea about how art should work? (10 pts)

10. What is enjambment in poetry? (10 pts)

EXTRA CREDIT

11. What ancient heresy returned during the Enlightenment? What does it teach?
(BONUS FOR EXTRA CREDIT. 5 Pts.)

12. What is the “democracy of the dead”?
(BONUS FOR EXTRA CREDIT. 5 Pts.)
