• Edmund Spenser (1552-1599, Eng): The Fairy Queen (poetry)

• <u>Philip Sidney</u> (1554-1586, Eng): *Astrophel and Stella* (poetry: the first sonnet sequence in English), *Arcadia* (narrative)

- Thomas Kyd (1558-1594, Eng): The Spanish Tragedy (play)
- Christopher Marlowe (1564-1593, Eng): Tamburlaine, The Jew of Malta, Doctor Faustus, Edward II (plays)
- William Shakespeare (1564-1616, Eng): plays, poetry
- John Donne (1572-1631, Eng): poems, sermons, essays

• <u>Ben Jonson</u> (1572-1637, Eng): Every Man in His Humour, Volpone, The Alchemist, Bartholomew Fair (plays), poems

- John Webster (1580-1634, Eng): The White Devil, The Duchess of Malfi (plays)
- Francis Beaumont (1584-1616, Eng): The Knight of the Burning Pestle, The Maid's Tragedy (plays)
- John Ford (1586-c. 1640, Eng): 'Tis Pity She's a Whore (play)
- George Herbert (1593-1633): poetry

• John Milton (1608-1674, Eng): Paradise Lost, Paradise Regained, Samson Agonistes (poetry), Areopagitica (essay)

• John Bunyan (1628-1688, Eng): The Pilgrim's Progress (allegorical narrative)

- John Dryden (1631-1700, Eng): All for Love (play), satires
- Aphra Behn (1640-1689, Eng): The Rover (play), Oroonoko (novel)
- Daniel Defoe (1659-1731, Eng): Robinson Crusoe, A Journal of the Plague Year, Moll Flanders, Roxana (novels)

• Jonathan Swift (1667-1745, GB/Ire): Gulliver's Travels (novel), A Modest Proposal, A Tale of a Tub (political satires)

- Alexander Pope (1688-1744, GB): An Essay on Criticism, An Essay on Man (essays), Dunciad (satire)
- Henry Fielding (1707-1754, GB): Tom Jones (novel)
- Laurence Sterne (1713-1768, GB): Tristram Shandy, A Sentimental Journey (novels)
- Horace Walpole (1717-1797, GB): The Castle of Otranto (novel), essays, letters
- Tobias Smollett (1721-1771, GB): Roderick Random, Humphrey Clinker (novels)

• <u>Thomas Paine</u> (1737-1809, GB/US): *Common Sense*, *The American Crisis*, *Rights of Man*, *The Age of Reason* (essays)

• <u>William Blake</u> (1757-1827, GB): Songs of Innocence, The Book of Thel, The Marriage of Heaven and Hell, The Book of Urizen, Songs of Experience (poetry)

- Ann Radcliffe (1764-1823, Eng): The Mysteries of Udolpho (novel)
- William Wordsworth (1770-1850, GB): Lyrical Ballads, The Excursion, The Prelude (poetry)

• <u>Samuel Taylor Coleridge</u> (1772-1834, GB): *Lyrical Ballads, The Rime of the Ancient Marriner, Christabel,* 'Kubla Khan' (poetry), essays on literature, philosophy and science

- Jane Austen (1775-1817, GB): Sense and Sensibility, Pride and Prejudice, Mansfield Park, Emma (novels)
- Matthew Lewis (1775-1818, GB): The Monk (novel)

• <u>Washington Irving</u> (1783-1859, US): 'The Legend of Sleepy Hollow', 'Rip Van Winkle'... (short stories, in *The Sketch Book of Geoffrey Crayon*), *Tales of the Alhambra* (short stories/travel book)

• George Gordon Byron, Lord Byron (1788-1824, GB): Manfred, Don Juan, Childe Harold (poetry)

• <u>Percy Bysshe Shelley</u> (1792-1822, GB): 'Mont Blanc', 'Ode to the West Wind', 'Prometheus Unbound', 'Adonais', 'To a Skylark', 'The Triumph of Life' (poems)

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• John Keats (1795-1821, GB): Odes: 'Ode on Melancholy', 'Ode on Indolence', 'Ode on a Grecian Urn', 'Ode to a Nightingale', 'Ode to Psyche', 'To Autumn'; 'Fancy', 'Hyperion', 'The Eve of St. Agnes', 'La Belle Dame sans Merci', 'Bright Star', 'Lamia', 'Endymion' (poems), letters

- <u>Thomas Carlyle</u> (1795-1881, GB): *Sartor Resartus* (fiction/parody)
- Mary Shelley (1797-1851, GB): *Frankenstein*, Valperga, The Last Man (novels)
- Ralph Waldo Emerson (1803-1882, US): Self-Reliance (essay), essays, lectures, addresses, poems
- Nathaniel Hawthorne (1804-1864, US): The Scarlet Letter, The House of the Seven Gables (novels), stories
- Edgar Allan Poe (1809-1849, US): tales, essays, poems
- Alfred Tennyson (1809-1892, UK): poetry
- William Thackeray (1811-1863, UK): Barry Lyndon, Vanity Fair (novels)

• <u>Charles Dickens</u> (1812-1870, UK): *The Pickwick Papers, Oliver Twist, Nicholas Nickleby, The Old Curiosity Shop, Barnaby Rudge, Martin Chuzzlewitt, Dombey and Son, David Copperfield, Bleak House, Hard Times, Little Dorritt, A Tale of Two Cities, Great Expectations, Our Mutual Friend* (novels), *A Christmas Carol* (novella), journalism

- Robert Browning (1812-1889, UK): poetry
- Anthony Trollope (1815-1882, UK): novels
- Charlotte Brontë (1816-1855, UK): Jane Eyre, Shirley, Villette (novels)
- Henry David Thoreau (1817-1862, US): Civil Disobedience, Walden (essays)

• <u>Frederick Douglass</u> (1817-1895, US): A Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, an American Slave, My Bondage and My Freedom, Life and Times of Frederick Douglass (autobiography)

- Emily Brontë (1818-1848, UK): Wuthering Heights (novel)
- George Eliot (1819-1880, UK): Adam Bede, The Mill on the Floss, Silas Marner, Middlemarch (novels)

• <u>Herman Melville</u> (1819-1891, US): *Moby-Dick* (novel), *Bartleby*, *Benito Cereno* (short stories), *Billy Budd* (novella)

- Walt Whitman (1819-1892, US): Leaves of Grass (poetry)
- Emily Dickinson (1830-1886, US): poems
- Lewis Carroll (1832-1898, UK): Alice's Adventures in Wonderland, Through the Looking-Glass (novels), The Hunting of the Snark (poem)

• <u>Mark Twain</u> (1835-1910, US): *Tom Sawyer*, *Huckleberry Finn* (novels), *The Innocents Abroad*, *Roughing It* (travel books), *Life on the Mississippi* (semi-autobiography), stories, essays

• Algernon Charles Swinburne (1837-1909, UK): Poems and Ballads (First Series), Atalanta in Calydon (poetry)

• <u>Thomas Hardy</u> (1840-1928, UK): Far from the Madding Crowd, The Return of the Native, The Mayor of Canterbridge, The Woodlanders, Tess of the d'Urbervilles, Jude the Obscure (novels), poetry

• <u>Henry James</u> (1843-1916, US/UK): Washington Square, The Portrait of a Lady, What Maisie Knew, The Wings of the Dove, The Ambassadors, The Golden Bowl... (novels), Daisy Miller, The Aspern Papers, The Turn of the Screw, The Beast in the Jungle... (novellas), The Figure in the Carpet... (short story)

- Oscar Wilde (1854-1900, UK): The Picture of Dorian Gray (novel), plays, poetry
- George Bernard Shaw (1856-1950, Ire): Pygmalion (play), essays
- Joseph Conrad (1857-1924, UK): Heart of Darkness, Lord Jim, Typhoon, Nostromo, Under Western Eyes, The Secret Agent (novels)
- <u>O. Henry</u> (1862-1910, US): short stories
- <u>Edith Wharton</u> (1862-1937, US): *The House of Mirth*, *Ethan Frome*, *The Reef*, *The Custom of the Country*, *The Age of Innocence* (novels)
- <u>William Butler Yeats</u> /¹ je Its/ (1865-1939, Ire): poetry

• <u>W. E. B. Du Bois</u> (1868-1963, US): *The Philadelphia Negro*, *The Souls of Black Folk*, *The Negro* (essays), *Darkwater: Voices From Within the Veil*, *Dusk of Dawn* (autobiography), *Dark Princess* (novel)

- Stephen Crane (1871-1900, US): The Red Badge of Courage (novel), The Open Boat (short stories)
- Ford Madox Ford (1873-1939, UK): The Good Soldier, Parade's End (novels)
- Willa Cather (1873-1947, US): The Prairie Trilogy: O Pioneers!, The Song of the Lark, My Ántonia (novels)
- Gertrude Stein (1874-1946, US): poetry
- <u>Robert Frost</u> (1874-1963, US): *The Road Not Taken* (poetry)
- Sherwood Anderson (1876-1941, US): Winesburg, Ohio (short stories)

• <u>E. M. Forster</u> (1879-1970, UK): *The Longest Journey, A Room with a View, Howards End, A Passage to India, Maurice* (novels)

• James Joyce (1882-1941, Ire): Dubliners (short stories), A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man, Ulysses, Finnegans Wake (novels)

• <u>Virginia Woolf</u> (1882-1941, UK): Jacob's Room, Mrs Dalloway, To the Lighthouse, Orlando, The Waves, The Years (novels), A Room of One's Own (essay)

• William Carlos Williams (1883-1963, US): poetry

• <u>D.H. Lawrence</u> (1885-1930, UK): *Sons and Lovers*, *The Rainbow* and *Women in Love*, *Lady Chatterley's Lover* (novels), stories, plays, essays, travel books, poetry...

- Sinclair Lewis (1885-1951, US): Babbitt (novel)
- Ezra Pound (1885-1972, US): Cantos (poetry)

• <u>Katherine Mansfield</u> (1888-1923, NZ/UK): 'Bliss', 'Miss Brill', 'The Daughters of the Late Colonel', 'The Fly', 'The Doll's House', 'The Garden Party'... (short stories)

• Eugene O'Neill (1888-1953, US): The Emperor Jones, The Hairy Ape, All God's Chillun Got Wings, Mourning Becomes Electra, The Iceman Cometh, Long Day's Journey into Night (plays)

• <u>Raymond Chandler</u> (1888-1956, US): *The Big Sleep, Farewell, My Lovely, The High Window, The Lady in the Lake, The Little Sister, The Long Goodbye* (novels)

• <u>**T. S. Eliot**</u> (1888-1965, US/UK): *Murder in the Cathedral* (play), *The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock*, *The Waste Land*, *The Hollow Men*, *Four Quartets* (poetry)

- <u>H. P. Lovecraft</u> (1890-1937, US): stories
- Jean Rhys (1890-1979, Dominica): Voyage in the Dark, Good Morning, Midnight, Wide Sargasso Sea (novels)
- Aldous Huxley (1894-1963, UK): Point Counter Point, Brave New World, Island (novels), essays
- F. Scott Fitzgerald (1896-1940, US): The Great Gatsby, Tender Is the Night (novels), short stories

• John Dos Passos (1896-1970, US): Three Soldiers; Manhattan Transfer; USA (trilogy): The 42nd Parallel, 1919, The Big Money (novels)

• <u>William Faulkner</u> (1897-1962, US): *The Sound and the Fury, As I Lay Dying, Sanctuary, Light in August, Absalom, Absalom!, The Unvanquished, If I Forget Thee Jerusalem (The Wild Palms)* (novels)

• Thornton Wilder (1897-1975, US): Our Town (play), The Bridge of San Luis Rey (novel)

• <u>Ernest Hemingway</u> (1899-1961, US): *The Sun Also Rises, A Farewell to Arms, For Whom the Bell Tolls, The Old Man and the Sea* (novels), *The Snows of Kilimanjaro* (short stories)

• <u>Vladimir Nabokov</u> (1899-1977, Rus/US): The Real Life of Sebastian Knight, Lolita, Pnin, Pale Fire, Ada or Ardor (novels), short stories

- Thomas Wolfe (1900-1938, US): Look Homeward, Angel, The Lost Boy, You Can't Go Home Again (novels)
- Langston Hughes (1902-1967, US): poetry
- John Steinbeck (1902-1968, US): Of Mice and Men, The Grapes of Wrath, East of Eden (novels)

• <u>George Orwell</u> (1903-1950, UK): Animal Farm, **1984** (novels), Down and Out in Paris and London, The Road to Wigan Pier, The Lion and the Unicorn, Politics and the English Language, Why I Write (nonfiction), journalism and essays

• Evelyn Waugh (1903-1966, UK): A Handful of Dust, Brideshead Revisited, Sword of Honour (novels)

• <u>Graham Greene</u> (1904-1991, UK): Brighton Rock, The Power and the Glory, The Heart of the Matter, The End of the Affair... (novels), travel books, essays

- <u>W. H. Auden</u> (1907-1973, UK/US): poems
- Richard Wright (1908-1960, US): Native Son (novel), Black Boy (autobiography)
- <u>Malcolm Lowry</u> (1909-1957, UK): *Under the Volcano* (novel)
- Eudora Welty (1909-2001, US): The Optimist's Daughter (novel), stories
- Mervyn Peake (1911-1968, UK): Gormenghast: Titus Groan, Gormenghast, Titus Alone (novels)
- Elizabeth Bishop (1911-1979, US): poems

• <u>Tennessee Williams</u> (1911-1983, US): *The Glass Menagerie, A Streetcar Named Desire, The Rose Tattoo, Cat on a Hot Tin Roof, The Night of the Iguana* (plays)

• William Golding (1911-1993, UK): Lord of the Flies, Rites of Passage (novels)

• John Cheever (1912-1982, US): short stories, The Wapshot Chronicle, The Wapshot Scandal, Bullet Park, Falconer (novels)

- Patrick White (1912-1990, Aus.): The Living and the Dead, The Tree of Man, Voss (novels)
- Dylan Thomas (1914-1953, UK): poetry
- <u>Ralph Ellison</u> (1914-1994, US): *Invisible Man* (novel)
- William Burroughs (1914-1997, US): Junkie, Queer, Naked Lunch (novels)
- Saul Bellow (1915-2005, US): The Adventures of Augie March, Herzog, Humboldt's Gift (novels)
- Penelope Fitzgerald (1916-2000, UK): The Bookshop, Offshore, Human Voices (novels)
- Anthony Burgess (1917-1993, UK): A Clockwork Orange, Earthly Powers (novels), criticism
- Muriel Spark (1918-2006, UK): The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie, The Driver's Seat (novels)
- Iris Murdoch (1919-1999, UK): The Bell, The Black Prince, The Sea, the Sea (novels)
- J. D. Salinger (1919-2010, US): The Catcher in the Rye (novel)
- Doris Lessing (1919-2013, UK): The Grass Is Singing, The Golden Notebook, The Good Terrorist (novels), stories, autobiography
- <u>Kurt Vonnegut</u> (1922-2007, US): *Slaughterhouse Five* (novel)
- Joseph Heller (1923-1999, US): *Catch-22* (novel)
- Nadine Gordimer (1923-2014, SA): The Conservationist (novel)

• James Baldwin (1924-1987, US) : Go Tell It on the Mountain, Another Country (novels), The Fire Next Time (essays)

• <u>Flannery O'Connor</u> (1925-1964, US): *A Good Man Is Hard to Find, Everything That Rises Must Converge* (short stories), *Wise Blood, The Violent Bear It away* (novels)

- <u>Allen Ginsberg</u> (1926-1997, US): 'Howl', 'Kaddish' (poems)
- John Fowles (1926-2005, UK): The Collector, The French Lieutenant's Woman (novels)
- Harper Lee (1926-2016): To Kill a Mockingbird (novel)
- Philip K. Dick (1928-1982, US): Ubik, A Scanner Darkly, VALIS (novels)
- Anita Brookner (1928-2016, UK): Hotel du Lac (novel)
- <u>Ted Hughes</u> (1930-1998, UK): poems

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- Harold Pinter (1930-2008, UK): The Birthday Party, The Caretaker, The Homecoming, Betrayal (plays)
- J. G. Ballard (1930-2009, UK): Crash, Empire of the Sun (novels), The Atrocity Exhibition (short stories)

• <u>Chinua Achebe</u> (1930-2013, Nigeria): *Things Fall Apart, No Longer at Ease, Arrow of God, A Man of the People* (novels)

- Derek Walcott (1930-2017, Carib.): poems
- <u>Toni Morrison</u> (1931-2019, US): *The Bluest Eye, Sula, Song of Solomon, Beloved, Jazz, Paradise* (novels)
- Alice Munro (b. 1931, Can.): short stories
- Sylvia Plath (1932-1963, US): poems, The Bell Jar (novel)
- John Updike (1932-2009, US): novels, short stories
- V.S. Naipaul (b. 1932, Trinidad/UK): A House for Mr. Biswas, A Bend in the River, The Enigma of Arrival

• <u>Susan Sontag</u> (1933-2004, US): *Against Interpretation*, *On Photography*, *Illness as Metaphor*, *AIDS and Its Metaphors* (essays)

• <u>Philip Roth</u> (1933-2018, US): Portnoy's Complaint, American trilogy: American Pastoral, I Married a Communist, The Human Stain (novels)

• <u>Cormac McCarthy</u> (b. 1933, US): *Blood Meridian*; The Border Trilogy: *All the Pretty Horses, The Crossing, Cities of the Plain; No Country for Old Men; The Road* (novels)

- J. G. Farrell (1935-1979, UK): Troubles, The Siege of Krishnapur (novels)
- Don DeLillo (b. 1936, US): White Noise, Libra, Mao II, Underworld (novels)
- John Kennedy Toole (1937-1969, US): A Confederacy of Dunces (novel)

• **Thomas Pynchon** (b. 1937, US): *V*, *The Crying of Lot 49*, **Gravity's Rainbow**, Vineland, Mason & Dixon, Against the Day, Inherent Vice, Bleeding Edge (novels)

• Joyce Carol Oates (b. 1937, US): them, Blonde (novels), 'Where Are You Going, Where Have You Been?' (short story)

- Raymond Carver (1938-1988, US): short stories
- Seamus Heaney (b. 1939, Ire): poetry

• <u>Margaret Atwood</u> (b. 1939, Can): *The Handmaid's Tale*, *Cat's Eye*, *The Robber Bride*, *Alias Grace*, *The Blind Assassin*, *Oryx and Crake* (novels), essays, poetry

- Angela Carter (1940-1992, UK): The Bloody Chamber (stories), Nights at the Circus (novel)
- J. M. Coetzee (b. 1940, SA/Aus): *Waiting for the Barbarians*, *Disgrace*, *Boyhood*, *Youth* (novels)

• <u>Richard Holmes</u> (b. 1945, Eng): Footsteps: Adventures of a Romantic Biographer, Sidetracks: Explorations of a Romantic Biographer, The Age of Wonder: How the Romantic Generation discovered the Beauty and Terror of Science (biography)

• Salman Rushdie (b. 1947, Ind/Pak/UK): Midnight's Children, The Satanic Verses (novels)

• James Ellroy (b. 1948, US): Killer on the Road; L.A. Quartet: **The Black Dahlia**, **The Big Nowhere**, L.A. Confidential, White Jazz; Underworld USA: American Tabloid, The Cold Six Thousand, Blood's a Rover (novels); My Dark Places (autobiography)

- <u>Kazuo Ishiguro</u> (b. 1954, UK): *The Remains of the Day*, *The Unconsoled*, *When We Were Orphans*, *Never Let Me Go*, *The Buried Giant*, *Klara and the Sun* (novels)
- Roddy Doyle (b. 1958, Ire): Paddy Clarke Ha Ha (novel)

• <u>Caryl Phillips</u> (b. 1958, St Kitts): *Higher Ground*, *Crossing the River*, A Distant Shore, Foreigners: Three English Lives (novels), *The European Tribe*, *The Atlantic Sound*, A New World Order, Colour Me English (essays), *Extravagant Strangers: A Literature of Belonging* (anthology)

- Arundhati Roy (b. 1961, Ind): *The God of Small Things* (novel), essays
- Brett Easton Ellis (b. 1964, US): Less than Zero, The Rules of Attraction, American Psycho (novels)

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• <u>Kiran Desai</u> (b. 1971, Ind): *The Inheritance of Loss* (novel)