

# ENGLISH LITERATURE

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# WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE

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- Shakespeare wrote plays in a variety of genres, including histories, tragedies, comedies and the late romances, or tragicomedies. His early classical and Italianate comedies, like *A Comedy of Errors*, containing tight double plots and precise comic sequences, give way in the mid-1590s to the romantic atmosphere of his greatest comedies. *A Midsummer Night's Dream* is a witty mixture of romance, fairy magic, and rustic comic scenes. The wit and wordplay of *Much Ado About Nothing*, the charming rural setting of *As You Like It*, and the lively merrymaking of *Twelfth Night* complete Shakespeare's sequence of great comedies.



# SAMUEL JOHNSON

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- Samuel Johnson (1709–1784), often referred to as Dr. Johnson, was an English author who made lasting contributions to English literature as a poet, essayist, moralist, literary critic, biographer, editor and lexicographer. His early works include the poems "London" and "his most impressive poem", *The Vanity of Human Wishes* (1749).



# CHARLES DICKENS

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- Charles Dickens emerged on the literary scene in the late 1830s and soon became probably the most famous novelist in the history of English literature. One of his most popular works to this day is *A Christmas Carol*. Dickens fiercely satirized various aspects of society, including the workhouse in *Oliver Twist*, the failures of the legal system in *Bleak House*, the dehumanizing effect of money in *Dombey and Son* and the influence of the philosophy of utilitarianism in factories, education etc., in *Hard Times*.



# VIRGINIA WOOLF

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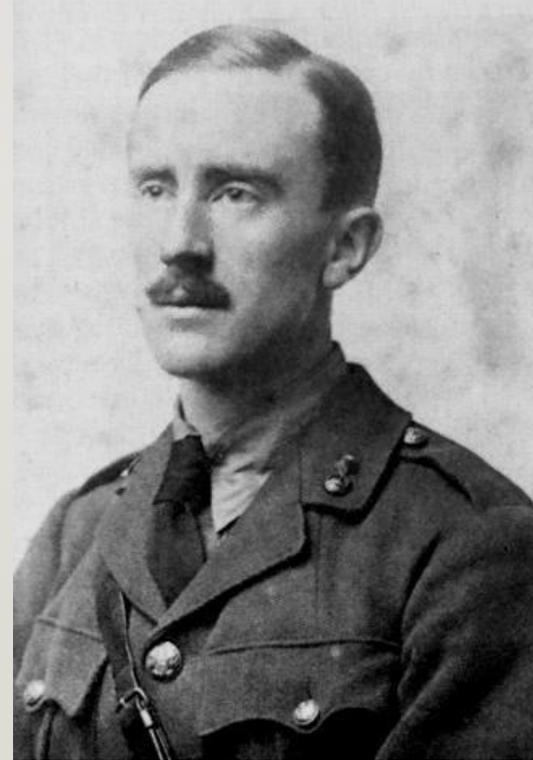
- Woolf was an influential feminist, and a major stylistic innovator associated with the stream-of-consciousness technique in novels like *Mrs Dalloway* (1925) and *To the Lighthouse* (1927). Her 1929 essay *A Room of One's Own* contains her famous dictum "A woman must have money and a room of her own if she is to write fiction".



# J.R.R.TOLKIEN

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- **John Ronald Reuel Tolkien** was an English writer, poet, philologist, and university professor who is best known as the author of the classic high-fantasy works *The Hobbit*, *The Lord of the Rings*, and *The Silmarillion*.



# GEOFFREY CHAUCER

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- known as the Father of English literature, is widely considered the greatest English poet of the Middle Ages and was the first poet to be buried in Poets' Corner of Westminster Abbey. Among his many works are *The Book of the Duchess*, *The House of Fame*, *The Legend of Good Women* and *Troilus and Criseyde*. He is best known today for *The Canterbury Tales*.



# DANIEL DEFOE

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- **Daniel Defoe** was an English trader, writer, journalist, pamphleteer, and spy, most famous for his novel *Robinson Crusoe*. Defoe is noted for being one of the earliest proponents of the novel, as he helped to popularise the form in Britain with others such as Samuel Richardson, and is among the founders of the English novel. He was a prolific and versatile writer, producing more than five hundred books, pamphlets, and journals on various topics, including politics, crime, religion, marriage, psychology, and the supernatural. He was also a pioneer of economic journalism



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