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1760 George II †; George III-first Hannoverian monarch

1775 War of Independence

1761 William Pitt resigned and the peace party gained control of the government

1762 (-63) John Stuart, Earl of Bute, became prime minister (Tories)

1763 John Wilke began his career as champion of popular liberties

1765 **Stamp Act**, a tax imposed on all legal documents to finance a stricter colonial administration and the debts of the late colonial war1760 **Population** estim. 8 million

1750 to 1790 1600 Acts of Parliament to improve the 24.000 miles of turnpike roads

1766 **Anti-British riots** in the colonies forced the government to repeal the Stamp Act1762 *Bridgewater Canal*
(efforts to increase the rate of transported goods)1767 **American Import Duties Act**: tax imposed by parliament on glass, tea, etc. in the colonies

1768 (-70) ●First voyage of James Cook to Australia / New Zealand

●Royal Academy was founded with Sir Joshua Reynolds as president

1770 (-82) ●Lord North's ministry was backed by George III and his 'friends';

1769 J. Watt patents his **first steam engine**

●American duties were repealed except for tea

ECONOMICS

1767 James Stuart. Principles of Political Economy

1767 1769 cotton industry: process of mechanisation

1779

Hargreave's Spinning Jenny Arkwright's Water Frame

Crompton's Mule

Adam Smith An inquiry of nature and causes of the wealth of nations 1776

Thomas Malthus * 1766

David Ricardo * 1772

1773 ●**Boston Tea Party** was a protest against the tea tax;

●John Howard began his prison reforms

1774 Edmund Burke made his orations on American taxation

1776 **Declaration of Independence**France joined America in **war against England** 1778Spain **declared war against England** 1779

Romanticism

1760 * William Beckford
Edward Young †
William Shenstone † 1763

1764 * Ann Radcliffe
Thomas Chatterton †

1765
Laurence Sterne † 1768

1771 * Sir Walter Scott
1771 † Thomas Gray
Oliver Goldsmith † 1774
David Hume †

1775 * Jane Austen
1775 * Charles Lamb

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1776 * William Hazlitt
David Garrick † 1779

1774 * Robert Southey
Campbell

1772 * S.T. Coleridge
1777 * Thomas
1779
* Thomas Moore

1765 James Macpherson, *Ossian*
Thomas Percy, *Reliques of Ancient English Poetry*
1768 Thomas Gray, *Poems*

1768 Sterne *A Sentimental Journey through France and Italy* by1770 Goldsmith *The Deserted Village*1771 Tobias G. Smollett, *The Expedition of Humphrey Clinker*1765 Walpole, *The Castle of Otranto*Editor of *The Plays of William Shakespeare*1766 Goldsmith *The Vicar of Wakefield*Henry Mackenzie, *Man of Feeling* 1778

Frances Burney 1778

*Evelina, or a Young lady's Entrance into the World*1760 (-67) Sterne *The Life and Opinions of Tristram Shandy*, (-69) *Gentleman Mr. Yorick*1773 Goldsmith *The Stoops to Conquer or the Mistake of a Night*1775 Sheridan *The Rivals*1767 Goldsmith *The Good Nature'd Man*

1777 Sheridan

1766 George Colman, *The Clandestine Marriage**School for Scandal*

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