RECOMMENDED READING

1. Special Online Resources at Bizell (Go to Library Home Page, then Databases, look under first letter). We are EXTREMELY fortunate in our holdings.

   a) Eighteenth-Century British

   *Eighteenth-Century Collection Online* (ECCO) – contains a large proportion of the British Library and Huntington Library’s eighteenth-century holdings.

   *British Literary Manuscripts* – a unique online facsimile collection of letters and manuscripts, including successive drafts of literary works and correspondence among contemporaries up to 1900.

   *Electronic Enlightenment* – a collection of printed letters from early 17th to mid 19th century; eminently searchable.

   *British Newspapers (1600-1900); British Periodicals (1680-1930; Eighteenth-Century Journals*. Besides the obvious, these databases contain book reviews and critical articles.

   *Literature Criticism Online* – besides what it says, this includes the Dictionary of Literary Biography.

   *State Papers Online: The Government of Britain 1509-1714*. Self-explanatory

   *Making the Modern World* contains primary economic and business materials 1450-1850.

   *English Short Title Catalogue* (ESTC) – contains information about where, when and by whom eighteenth-century books were printed (including some information on American prints)

   *Early English Books Online* (EBO) – contains seventeenth-century and Renaissance books. Some “eighteenth-century” books start here. See also *Early European Books Online*

   b) Eighteenth-Century American

   *Early American Imprints* – contains the holdings of the American Antiquarian Society, and most American books to 1819 listed in Evans and Shaw.

   *America’s Historical Newspapers* – contains early American newspapers from the same period

   *American Antiquarian Society Historical Periodicals* – a treasure trove of periodical material 1691-1852

   *American History and Culture Online* (Sabine Americana) – Americana are books about America, and include eighteenth-century materials not published in America.

Early Encounters in North America – contains records of intercultural and interethnic Interactions.

North American Indian Thought and Culture – contains primary material in native peoples’ own words. Covers Canada as well as America.

Colonial State Papers – contains source documents about government and politics from the 16th to the 18th centuries.

American Founding Era Collection – contains papers of the major figures in the early Republic.

c) Reference

Many journal articles (and books) are now also online. To find accredited articles on the Literature of any period, don’t surf. Go to:

Google Scholar

America: History and Life

MLA International Bibliography

FirstSearch

For books: Worldcat

2. Writers to Check out

Some Twentieth Century British Women Novelists
Kate Atkinson
Anita Brookner
A. S. Byatt
Angela Carter
Margaret Drabble
A. L. Kennedy
Jane Galloway
Doris Lessing
Iris Murdoch
Barbara Pym
Muriel Spark
Dorothy Richardson
Rebecca West
Fay Weldon
Virginia Woolf

**Some Eighteenth Century British and British American Women Novelists**

Jane Austen
Fanny Burney
Maria Edgeworth
Hannah Webster Foster
Eliza Haywood
Emma Hays
Charlotte Lennox
Ann Radcliffe
Susanna Rowson
Charlotte Smith
Tabitha Tenney
Mary Wollstonecraft
Jane West

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3. Eighteenth-Century Cultural and Historical Contexts

**British Culture and History**

Davidoff, Leonore and Catherine Hall, *Family Fortunes* (1987)
Knowles, Gerry, *A Cultural History of the English Language* (1997)

**Transatlantic Culture and History**

Am
Armitage, David and Michael Braddock (ed), *The British Atlantic World 1500-1800* (2009),
Bailyn, Bernard, *Voyagers to the West* (1986)
------------------------, *Strangers within the Real: Cultural Margins of the 1st British Empire* (1991)
------------------------, *Atlantic History: Concepts and Contours* (2005)
----------, *The Global Remapping of American Literature* (2011)
Landsman, Ned, *From Colonials to Provincials* (1997)
Richards, Jeffrey H. *Drama, Theater and Identity in the New Republic* (2005)

*4. Useful Literary Criticism on Eighteenth Century (mostly Women’s) Novels*
Armstrong, Nancy, *Desire and Domestic Fiction*
Butler, Marilyn, *Jane Austen and the War of Ideas* (1975)
Gonda, Caroline, *Reading Daughters’ Fictions, 1709-1834* (1996)
Lanser, Susan Snieder, *Fictions of Authority* (1992)
Turner, Cheryl, *Living By the Pen* (1992)
Ty, Eleonor, *Unsex’d Revolutionaries* (1993)
Schmidt, Klaus (ed) *Early America Re-Explored* (2000)
Willcox, Helen (ed) *Women and Literature in Britain, 1500 - 1700* (1996)

5. Genre and Media Issues

Batten, Charles, *Pleasurable Instruction: Form and Convention in 18th Century Travel Literature* (1978)
Cavallo, Guglielmo and Roger Chartier (ed), *A History of Reading in the West* (1999)
Colie, Rosalie, *The Resources of Kind* (1973)
Griffin, Dustin, *Satire* (1994)
Raven, James, Helen Small and Naomi Tadmor, (ed) *The Practice and Representation of Reading
in England (1996)
Todorov, Genres in Discourse (1990)