

ANNO SCOLASTICO	2014/2015
CLASSE	IV BS
MATERIA	LINGUA E CIVILTÀ INGLESE
TESTO ADOTTATO	PERFORMER CULTURE & LITERATURE 1

2.0 DEVELOPING SOCIETY

- The three orders of medieval society
- Geoffrey Chaucer:
 - Life
 - The Canterbury Tales: The Prioress*
- The Black Death
- The Wars of the Roses

3.0 A CULTURAL AWAKENING

- The Tudors
 - Henry VII
 - Henry VIII
 - Mary I
 - Elizabeth I
- An expanding world
- The English Renaissance
- The Sonnet
- The Italian and the English sonnet

4.0 WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE: ENGLAND'S GENIUS

- William Shakespeare's life
 - The actor and the playwright
 - The language genius
 - The poet
 - The comedian
 - The historian
 - The tragic playwright
- Shakespeare's sonnets
 - My Mistress's eyes*
 - Shall I compare thee*
- Shakespeare's dramas: plots and themes
 - Romeo and Juliet: *The balcony scene*
 - Hamlet: *To be or not to be.*
 - The Merchant of Venice: *Hath not a Jew Eyes?*
 - A Midsummer Night's Dream: *We shadows*

5.0 A TIME OF UPHEAVAL

- The Civil War
- The Puritans
- John Milton's life
- Paradise Lost: *Satan's Speech*
- The Scientific Revolution
- The Royal Society
- The Restoration of the Monarchy

6.0 SHAPING THE ENGLISH CHARACTER

- The birth of political parties
- A golden age
- The means for cultural debates
- Two newspapers: *The Spectator* and *Il Caffè*
- The rise of the novel
- Daniel Defoe's life
- Robinson Crusoe: *The Journal*
Man Friday
- Jonathan Swift's life
- Gulliver's Travels: *Gulliver and the Lilliputians*

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