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#### LINGUA E CIVILTA' INGLESE

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#### CLASSE 3 N

# LICEO SCIENTIFICO TRADIZIONALE PROGRAMMA SVOLTO

#### Libri di testo:

M.Spicci, T.A. Shaw, D.Montanari, Amazing minds - New Generation, Pearson

### **READING STRATEGIES & TEXT ANALYSIS**

- **❖** Skimming
- Scanning
- Using key- words
- \* Reading for the gist
- **❖** Intensive reading
- Summarising

## ARGOMENTI SVOLTI

## **CHAPTER 1: From the Origins to the end of the Middle Ages (500 -1485)**

# HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

- ✓ Celtic and Roman Britain
- ✓ Anglo-Saxon Britain
- ✓ Norman England

# SOCIAL AND CULTURAL BACKGROUND

- ✓ Medieval England: Religion, Conflict, Democracy
- a) Christianity
- b) The rights of women in Anglo-Saxon England
- c) The Feudal System
- d) Medieval warfare
- e) The castle
- f) The figure of the hero

#### g) Political (in)equality

#### LITERARY BACKGROUND

# The Anglo-Saxon Age: a World of Heroes. Anglo-Saxon Poetry

- a) The Epic and the Elegy
- b) The style and language of Anglo-Saxon poetry
- c) Beowulf:
  - A Germanic Legend
  - Plot
  - A perfect Hero
  - Main themes and style
  - Beowulf's funeral

# The Father of the English Literature: GEOFFREY CHAUCER

- a) A poet and a traveller
- b) The Canterbury Tales: a timeless Masterpiece
- c) Other works
- d) Chaucer and the Universal Journey of Mankind
- e) Chaucer's Legacy
- f) The Canterbury Tales
  - A portrait of English Society
  - The Pilgrimage
  - Social subversion
  - Main themes
  - The General Prologue
  - The Wife of Bath

# **CHAPTER 2:** The Renaissance and the Age of Shakespeare (1485-1625)

#### HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

- ✓ The Tudors
- ✓ Henry VIII
- ✓ The Act of Supremacy
- ✓ Elisabeth I
- ✓ The Stuart Dynasty

#### SOCIAL AND CULTURAL BACKGROUND

- ✓ Humanism and the Renaissance
- ✓ An ordered and hierarchical society
- ✓ Elisabeth I: the stature of a leader
- ✓ Discovery of a New World: the birth of colonialism

# ✓ Slavery

## LITERARY BACKGROUND

Sonnets and prose writing: The triumph of Sonnets

Utopian writing

Essays and travel writing

**Translations** 

The Golden Age of Drama

- The role of London
- Elizabethan theatres
- The audience
- Playwrights
- The actors
- The mise en scene
- The continuity with medieval tradition

# Elizabethan Playwrights

- Marlowe (cenni)
- Kyd (revenge tragedies)
- William Shakespeare

# The Greatest Playwright: WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE

- a) The official version of Shakespeare's life
- b)The first Folio of 1623
- c)Shakespeare's Canon
- d)Romeo and Juliet
  - Sources
  - Plot
  - Main themes :
  - Main characters
  - Dramatic technique
  - The Prologue
  - The balcony scene

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