American Literature

 ✳️ Colonial Period ( 1607-1775)

Out break of American Revolution

Religious Literature

Cotton Mather, John Edwards (authors)

Poems on various subjects (1773) by Phillis Wheatley (Afro-American)

✳️The Revolutionary Age

(1765-1790)

Resistance in the colony & Granting Freedom

Thomas Jefferson, Thomas Paine (authors)

Writings based on politics & Revelation

✳️ Early National Period

(1765-1790)

Imaginative literature

First American Comedy (Royall Tyler's The Contrast,1787)

Main authors: William Hill Brown, James Fanimore (Novelists)

Edgar Allen Poe, William Bryant (poets)

The North American Review 1815( First American Magazine)

✳️ Romantic Era (Transcendentalism)

 Importance to Nature (Wilderness)

Development of American Prose

Authors & works👇

➡️ Emerson - Self Reliance

➡️Thoreau- Walden

➡️Hermen Melville- MOBY DICK (1852)

➡️ Nathaniel Hawthorne- The Scarlet Letter A(1850)etc..

➡️Transcendentalism is a philosophical movement that started in the 1830s with the belief that the most important reality is what is sensed or what is intuitive, rather than what is thought such as scientific knowledge.( അതീന്ദ്രിയത്വം)

✳️ Realistic Period

➡️After Civil war

➡️Individualism

➡️Industrialism

➡️Urbanization

➡️Sense of Nationalism

Main Novelists👇

Mark Twain, Henry James, Harold Frederick,Mary Freeman etc

Novels; Adventures of tom Sawyer, Adventures of Huckleberry Finn

✳️Naturalistic period (1900-1914)

20th century- World War 1st

Writers: Frank Norris, Jack Landon, Theodore Dreiser (Naturalists Writers)

Novels; The Call of the Wild by Jack Landon

Characters: Gold Rush & Buck (Dog)

✳️The Modernist Period (1914-1939)

Between Two World Wars

Imagism,

Symbolism and

Naturalism emerged during this phase.

Abstract,symbolist and philosophical verses.

Important writers; TS Eliot, Ezra pound, Robert Frost, Eranest Hemingway, Eugene O Neill etc

✳️ Postwar period (1939-1970)

The world War 2nd, The Cold war, and the failure of Communism

Anti- establishment

Anti-traditinoal literary movements.( Sexual liberation, drugs etc)

The beat writers, The Black Mountain poets,confessional poets, Hippie Movements,Black Arts Movement (BAM) etc

✳️The Postmodern Period

1970 to the present

Experimentation period

Metafiction,fragmentation, faction, intertextuality etc

Important writers: Joseph Heller, Thomas Pynchon, John Barth, David Trinidad Lorenzo Thomas etc