British Romantic Literature Reading List

Primary Sources

Have a strong familiarity with the major works of the following:

- Mary Wollstonecraft
- Anna Laetitia Barbauld
- William Blake (of his major prophecies choose either *The Four Zoas or Jerusalem*.)
- William Wordsworth
- Dorothy Wordsworth
- Samuel Taylor Coleridge
- Charles Lamb
- William Hazlitt
- Thomas deQuincy
- George Gordon, Lord Byron
- Percy Shelley
- Mary Shelley
- Laetitia Elizabeth Landon
- Felicia Hemans
- John Keats

Secondary Sources

Specialists: Have a working knowledge of most of the following. 
Non-specialists: Read at least two of the background sources, and one each for the canonical poets (Blake, Wordsworth, Coleridge, Byron, Shelley, and Keats).

Background:


Blake:

Wordsworth:

Coleridge:
- Norman Fruman, *Coleridge, the Damaged Archangel*, 1971.

Byron:
- Peter Manning, *Byron and His Fictions*, 1978.

Percy Shelley:

Keats:
- Jack Stillinger, ‘*The Hoodwinking of Madeline,*’ and Other Essays on Keats’ Poetry, 1971.