

Topic one: The 18th Century and the rise of the English Novel The rise of the English novel occurred primarily in the 18th century; this does not mean that there was no form of novels before this time. These revolutions were pivotal, so much so that they began to challenge the structure that threatened to asphyxiate its emergence from the monarchical system to the aristocratic privileges, especially the systems that nurtured to flame the slave trade. By this, you can tell that several idiosyncrasies were changed from being accepted as the norm, ranging from European politics, philosophy, communications, and science experience a total upheaval throughout the century. In retrospect, a more profound sense of appreciation can be ascribed to this revolution that was seen as a threat but somehow waded through all the hurdles in its way. This Age of Reason, also called the age of Enlightenment witnessed thinkers from Britain to France and even throughout Europe. These thinkers tasted the efficacy of rational thinking, logic and knew that their lives and reality were never going to be the same. The elements of enlightened thinking were at the fore of this revolution. On a larger scale, slave trading and human trafficking were at their peak. Without this revolution, a lot of privileges we partake in presently would not have been a thing to imagine, think, talk more of experience. It only means that there was an increased release of novels and novelists during this period. This period witnessed a great revolution that shook the society structure of its time. They discovered that their lives as humans and others' lives, in all its vicissitude, can be enhanced through rational thinking. This is the century between January 1, 1700, and December 31, 1799. This was experienced in the French, American, and Haitian revolutions. Thanks to the 3 revolution of the 18th century, we have and experience life with its modern perks. These thinkers began to question the traditional normalcy they were born into and had adopted through their lives. The 18th century was a period that lasted from 1685 – 1815. Most often, the term is used to refer to the 1700s. This century was called the 'century of Light' or the 'Century of Reason.'