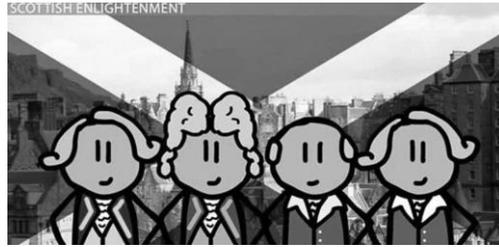


The Scottish Enlightenment

As we have learned in class, The Scottish Enlightenment was a period of intellectual advances in Scotland, running from approximately 1740 to mid 1900s.



In the period following the Act of Union 1707, Scotland's place in the world changed radically. Arguably the poorest country in western Europe in 1707, it began to reap the economic benefits of free trade with the British Empire in tandem with the intellectual benefits of Europe's first public education system since classical times. Under these twin stimuli, Scottish thinkers began questioning everything; and with Scotland's traditional connections to France, then in the throes of the Enlightenment, the Scots began developing a uniquely practical branch of humanism.

It is in this time that Scotland made its place in history - some of the cleverest advances in science, medicine and thinking happened in this time as Scotland became a hot house for theorists and thinking.

So many important Scottish people came from this time and their work has paved the way for a lot of important advances. You have been given one person to research. You will do a short 3-5 min presentation on them and can also produce a PowerPoint, poster or pupil hand out to go with it.

My person to research is

You must

- Tell me who they are, when they were alive and a brief bit about them
- What part did they play in the Enlightenment? Did they work with others?
- Why was their work important then?
- How has their work helped advances since then?
- Are there any local memorials or places of interest dedicated to them?
- Other important information. (for 9/2/18)

By the end of the presentation your peers should know who you have researched, why they were important, how they were important, when and also what importance their work has had on life since then etc.

I look forward to celebrating these remarkable Scots with you all on 9th Feb 2017

Scientists/Medicine

Elsie Inglis - Kirstie And Amy G
Alexander Flemming - Archie
James Clerk Maxwell - Kyle, Zoe S
James Watt - Aaron
David Brewster - Amy S
James Young - Maisie
Lord Kelvin - Alfie
Alexander Graham Bell - Paul and James
Joseph Black – Calan

Philosophers

David Hume - Laila
Adam Smith - Glen
John Clerk – Charlie

Architecture

Robert/James Adam - Maddy
William Playfair - Wallace
William Adam (Mavisbank House) - Aimee and Emma

Arts

Allan Ramsay - Dylan
Alexander Nasmyth - Kai
Henry Raeburn - Mirryn and Zoe W

Literature

James Thomson - Taygan
Allan Ramsay - Finlay
Andrew Carnegie - Kara
Walter Scott - Lois
J.M. Barrie -Lara
Robert Louis Stevenson - Eilidh and Lucy

Scots and Abroad

David Livingstone - Michael