



12TH GRADE EUROPE / ENGLAND TRIP

STREAMING

VIENNA

VIENNA PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA

Various YouTube offerings with conductors Leonard Bernstein and Gustavo Dudamel, among many others:

https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=vienna+philharmonic+orchestra

SOME OF THE GREATEST RECORDINGS OF THE VIENNA PHIL:

Beethoven: Symphonies No. 5 & 7. Carlos Kleiber, Vienna Philharmonic (DG)

Mahler's Symphony #5, Leonard Bernstein (DG)

Mozart's Piano Concerto No 27. Concerto for Two Pianos and Orchestra, K365

Emil Gilels, Elena Gilels, Karl Böhm (DG)

Brahms' Symphony #4, Carlos Kleiber

VIENNA BOYS' CHOIR

If you have Amazon Prime, this film is available for free: "The Vienna Boys' Choir – A Polyphonic Youth:"

<https://www.amazon.com/Vienna-Boys-Choir-Polyphonic-Youth/dp/B01N1QBSB0>

Many YouTube choices, including a concert on Mozart's 250th birthday:

https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=vienna+boys+choir

STAATSOPER WIEN

Various offerings on YouTube:

https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=staatsoper+wien

RECORDING FROM THE OPERA HOUSE:

Historic Recordings 1933 – 1944 (Vienna State Opera)

KUNSTHISTORISCHES MUSEUM

Many lectures, docent tours, conversation on the museum's YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLDoWx4K015JbGiDQ-HmL2qf0OmQYHJFcE>

MARIONETTEN WIEN (MARIONETTE PUPPETS, VIENNA)

A few videos:

<https://www.marionettentheater.at/>

A FEW FILMS ABOUT VIENNA AND/OR SET IN THE CITY

- *Amadeus* (1984)
 - Director: Milos Forman
 - A fascinating, though irreverent portrait of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
- *Sissy* (1955)
 - Director: Ernst Marischka
 - First of a trilogy about Elizabeth of Austria, the beloved wife of Emperor Franz Joseph.
- *The Third Man* (1949)
 - Director: Carol Reid, Screenplay: Orson Wells
 - Pulp novelist Holly Martins travels to shadowy, postwar Vienna, only to find himself investigating a mysterious death.
- *Waltzes from Vienna* (1935)
 - Director: Alfred Hitchcock
 - The story of how Strauss wrote "The Blue Danube."
- *Woman in Gold* (2015)
 - Director: Simon Curtis
 - Sixty years after fleeing Vienna, Maria Altmann (Helen Mirren), an elderly Jewish woman, attempts to reclaim family possessions that were seized by the Nazis. Among them is a famous portrait of Maria's beloved Aunt Adele: Gustave Klimt's "Portrait of Adele Bloch-Bauer I."

ENGLAND

NATIONAL GALLERY/NATIONAL PORTRAIT GALLERY

National Gallery docent tours, curated looks, lectures on YouTube:

https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=national+gallery+london

National Portrait Gallery docent tours:

<https://www.npg.org.uk/collections/explore/>

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

BBC TV production: Westminster Abbey 1: behind-the-scenes documentary of the Abbey (2012):

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aYNNMxSOKi4>

BBC TV: Westminster Abbey 2: Archive of Recorded Church Music:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9e7GtlcSHRY>

BBC TV: Westminster Abbey 3:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=czx6EJuyciM>

ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL

Rick Steves' tour of The City and St Paul's:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fSwOnBKVPSQ>

SAM WANAMAKER PLAYHOUSE

Preview information about *Taming of the Shrew* (the play the senior class was to see):

<https://www.shakespearesglobe.com/whats-on/the-taming-of-the-shrew-2020/#photos-videos>

SHAKESPEARE'S GLOBE

Stream *Hamlet*, and starting April 20, *Romeo & Juliet* (the production the senior class was to see):

<https://www.shakespearesglobe.com/watch/#now-showing>

ROYAL OPERA HOUSE

Streaming *Così fan tutte*, part of "Free Friday premieres":

<https://www.roh.org.uk/>

HAMILTON

Original cast, virtual performance of "Alexander Hamilton" (gotta watch it!):

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IeZeXHvvTqc>

ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY

Snippets on YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/theRSC>

30-day free trial on Marquee TV for many complete plays:

<https://www.rsc.org.uk/at-home-with-shakespeare>

SHAKESPEARE'S HOMES

A look at Shakespeare's house and school:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3MI2Ko0oSvw>

AVEBURY

Avebury – Neolithic Site (I suggest muting the music...):

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qehg1nExVlg>

Ley lines and Avebury Henge (the better version of Stonehenge):

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LGwgT5jho6I>

WELLS CATHEDRAL

Wells: Medieval Centre and Cathedral:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ItQrIVFliU>

SALISBURY CATHEDRAL

A quick tour:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MHOTAhHjtw>

ROMAN BATHS / BATH THEATRE

Rick Steves tour:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MHOTAhHjtw>

ST MICHAEL'S MOUNT

Brief overview:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IRQiQGy5_d8

TINTAGEL

Quick tour:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H6czLFXMS6U>

“Postcard:”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RXovzVcXPHw>

MAY DAY IN PADSTOW

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aUVi4a-K-0I>

QUINTESSENTIAL BOOKS ABOUT &/OR SET IN ENGLAND

- *All Creatures Great and Small*, James Herriot (1972)
 - Storyteller James Herriot, the Yorkshire veterinarian whose fascinating vignettes brim with the wonder of life, animal and human.
- *David Copperfield*, Charles Dickens (1850)
 - In Dicken's eighth novel, *David Copperfield*, now a grown man, tells the story of his youth.
- *Great Expectations*, Charles Dickens (1861)
 - Dickens' thirteenth novel and his penultimate completed novel, depicts the education of an orphan nicknamed Pip.
- *I Capture the Castle*, Dodie Smith (1948)
 - A wonderful coming-of-age story written by the author of *101 Dalmatians* during WWII when she and her husband Alec Beesley were living in California. She longed for home and wrote of a happier time, unspecified in the novel apart from a reference to living in the 1930s.
- *Middlemarch, A Study of Provincial Life*, George Eliot (1874)
 - Set in a fictitious Midlands town from 1829 to 1832, it follows distinct, intersecting stories with many characters.
- *Mrs. Dalloway*, Virginia Woolf (1925)
 - A novel by Virginia Woolf that details a day in the life of Clarissa Dalloway, a fictional high-society woman in post-First World War England.
- *Pride and Prejudice*, Jane Austen (1813)
 - The novel follows the character development of Elizabeth Bennet, the dynamic protagonist of the book who learns about the repercussions of hasty judgments and comes to appreciate the difference between superficial goodness and actual goodness.
- *The Wind in the Willows*, Kenneth Grahame (1908)
 - One of the most famous British children's novel (but it's not really a children's book), focusing on four anthropomorphised animals: Mole, Rat, Toad, and Badger. They live in a pastoral version of Edwardian England.
- *Notes from a Small Island*, Bill Bryson (1995)

In this irreverent and delightful memoir, US expat Bryson writes about his travels through Britain — his home for two decades.

QUINTESSENTIAL FILMS ABOUT &/OR SET IN ENGLAND

- *The 39 Steps* (1935)
 - Director: Alfred Hitchcock
 - Arguably the director's finest British film
- *Dunkirk* (2017)
 - Director: Christopher Nolan
 - The British army's desperate retreat from France in WWII 1940
- *Goodbye, Mr. Chips* (1939)
 - Director: Sam Wood
 - Based on 1934 novella about the life of a schoolteacher
- *Great Expectations* (1946)
 - Director: David Lean
 - Adaptation of the Dickens novel
- *A Hard Day's Night* (1964)
 - Director: Richard Lester
 - The Beatles' first film, shot in black & white
- *Henry V* (1944)
 - Director: Laurence Olivier
 - Adaptation of Shakespeare's classic history play, with Laurence Olivier
- *Henry V* (1989)
 - Director: Kenneth Branagh
- *The King's Speech* (2010)
 - Director: Tom Hooper
 - The story of King George VI, his impromptu ascension to the throne of the British Empire in 1936, and the speech therapist who helped the unsure monarch overcome his stammer.
- *Monty Python & the Holy Grail* (1975)
 - Directors: Terry Gilliam, Terry Jones
 - Monty Python's take on the Arthurian legend
- *Oliver!* (1968)
 - Director: Carol Reed
 - The musical, words & music by Lionel Bart
- *The Secret History of the British Garden*
 - Documentary narrator: Monty Don
 - Explores how factors such as war, religion, archaeology, medicine, food, design and fashion have influenced British gardening styles.
- *Tales from the Green Valley*
 - BBC documentary follows historians and archaeologists as they recreate farm life of the 1620s in the UK.