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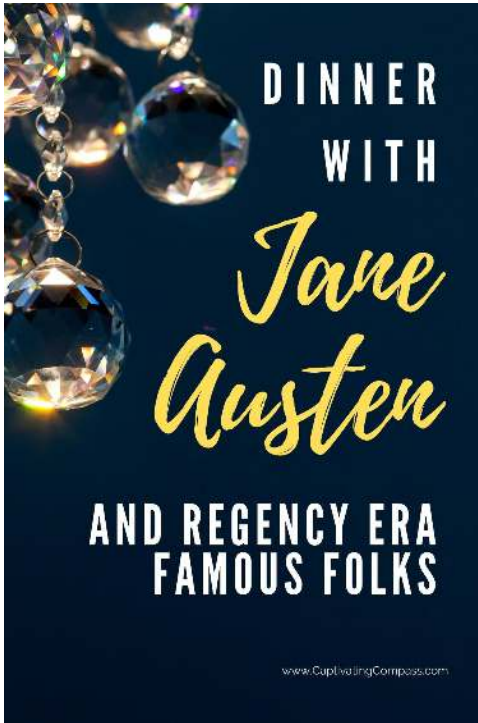
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Dinner with Jane Austen in Regency Era England

A Project for Creating a Greater Understanding and Broader Worldview about the era in which Jane Austen lived.

Jane Austen lived from 1775 to 1817. For this project, you will create a list of famous people who were alive during that same time period. For the sake of a dinner party most needed to have been adult peers, be well established or just coming into their fame. In 1810, Jane Austen would have been 35 years old.

Jane loved England and likely had many opportunities to 'rub elbows' with many other famous men and women of the Regency Era once it became known that she was 'A Lady' and a well loved author.

Dinner with Jane Project: Overview

Incorporate all the previous work from the Jane Austen's Regency Era England Unit Study to create a menu, plan a toast and enjoy an opportunity for Regency Era conversation & games. Create your guest list based on people that were alive at the same time as Jane Austen. Use the time period of 1775-1820.

Decide if you will create a picnic, afternoon tea, or dinner and ball. These will be all set in or around Bath, England. Jane will be the host of the picnic or afternoon tea. However, if you chose the dinner & ball event, it will be hosted by the Prince Regent & Jane will be the guest of Honor.

You need to:

Do some quick research for the categories below. Select 5 people for each of the areas to begin your guest list.

You should create searches such as 'Famous English military leaders from 1775 to 1810'. Simply replace the underlined section with the various classes of people below.

- World Leaders (You may narrow it to Leaders in America, France & England if you like)
- Scientists/Inventors/Businessmen
- Writers/Poets/Authors
- Artists/Musicians/Composers
- Christian Evangelists/Theologians/Missionaries/Humanitarians
- Military Leaders
- Social Activists
- Inventors/ Scientists
- Explorers

Make a Guest List

Create an invitation list for the party you intend to have. You should have between 12-20 guests at your party - enough to have time for dancing, enjoyable games or conversation.

Some on the list below will naturally not be able to attend certain events. List them and the reasons they are unable to attend. For example, George Washington sends his regrets to the party because he has just been appointed President of the United States & is likely to be killed if he sets foot on English soil.

Plan Your Menu

Create a menu for the party that would appeal to (and not offend) the guests you have invited. Create a seating chart. Remember, Regency dinners were in great halls with long tables. Whom

will you seat next to whom to allow enjoyable conversation? Remember to consider social customs of the era. Draw it out or use a spreadsheet if needed so you can easily visualize where everyone is sitting.

Make a Seating Chart

Once you have your seating chart created, use the pages below as templates to collect a variety of information on each person including:

- a. A list of 3 things each person can talk about with the person on their left, the person on their right, and the person across from them (there should be 6-9 specific conversation topics on each person's sheet.
- b. Also list the 1-3 topics that under no circumstances should be discussed at the dinner table with the people sitting next to or across from them.
- c. Add some of each person's most famous quotes. This is a great time to pull out 1-3 famous quotes each person can say at the dinner party or share with those around them.

Use your Survival Guides and ideas for your slide deck or photo album as a guide where needed.

Make a Toast

If you are the Host, write a toast in honor of someone at the party. If you are the guest of honor, write a toast that would come from the person with the highest social standing at the party.

Say Thank You

Finally, it is polite to bring a gift to say thank you for being invited. What would each guest at the dinner party give to the guest of honor, or host?

Extra Credit:

At a Regency dinner or ball, people will engage in dancing and perhaps enjoy other activities in the drawing room, library or similar type of room. Find 2-4 different Regency Era Dances. Include the music, a video of people doing the dance or instructions on how to learn the dance.

For the other activities, the men may go to a different area than the ladies, or they may all stay together. This is a great time to incorporate any information you found on personal hobbies, Regency Era pastimes and entertainment, as well as enjoy the skills and creativity of those at the party.

If they separate:

- Where do the women go, what do they talk about, and what is the entertainment for the evening?
- Where do the men go, what do they talk about, and what is the entertainment for the evening?

If they all stay together, what do they talk about and what games might they play?

If you choose a picnic or afternoon tea, include appropriate games, dances, activities, etc., for that type of event.

More Extra Credit!

If you want to super-size this project, the final piece would be to:

1. Make the Regency Era meal.
2. Assign various character roles for others to be for the meal/evening.
3. Use the biography sheets to help guide the conversations for the evening.
4. Listen to the music of the era.
5. Discuss art, social concerns, science, etc., based on the biography sheet chosen for each person at the event.
6. To make it easier to know who is playing which famous person, create name tags or dress up as that individual (or both).



Stay Captivated!

I hope the Dinner with Jane project has inspired your family to learn more about Jane Austen and the Regency Era. The Dinner with Jane project is a companion resource for the Let's Study British Authors course series. You can find the mini-course/unit study and other resources at www.CaptivatingCompass.com

The next few pages are for printing as many copies as needed to complete your dinner party project.



Location of Dinner Party:

Host and/or Guest of Honor:

Guest List: (min. 10-12 people must attend)

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.
- 9.
- 10.
- 11.
- 12.

Apologies/Regrets (Include reason they cannot attend):



Famous Person:

Where were they born:

Language(s) they speak:

What are they famous for?

What are their thoughts on the War with France or America?

What are their thoughts on the current economy of England?

What are their thoughts on the Navy?

What are their thoughts on Christianity?

What are their thoughts on Science?

What are their thoughts on Art, Music & Literature?

3 famous quotes _____ might use in dinner conversation.

_____ is sitting on _____'s left.

3 things _____ can talk about with _____ (the person on their left).

1-2 things _____ can NOT talk about with _____ (the person on their left).

_____ is sitting on _____ 's right.

3 things _____ can talk about with _____ (the person on their right).

1-2 things _____ can NOT talk about with _____ the person on their right).

_____ is sitting directly across the table from _____.

3 things _____ can talk about with _____ (the person directly across the table from them).

1-2 things _____ can NOT talk about with _____ (the person directly across from them).