

# Pride and Prejudice Historical Context Questions

Directions: Answer the following questions in short answers of 2-3 sentences in length. Submit to Turnitin.com.

1. Why did the military activities of Austen's time have relatively little impact on British society?
2. How did the period from 1789 to 1799 differ for France and England?
3. What drastic actions did Prime Minister William Pitt enact during this time period?
4. Why do you think he took such actions and what did those actions potentially prevent in England?
5. How did the writing of Austen differ from the Romantic poets such as Wordsworth and Coleridge who were writing during roughly the same period?
6. Describe the moral standing of the Prince Regent.
7. Why was it necessary for the Prince Regent to step in and "rule"?
8. Pride and Prejudice seems to have characters that fall into two moral categories, what are they?
9. What was the biggest influence on English fashion?
10. Define "dandyism".