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### READING LIST

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Course Title: The Making of Britain, 1688-1815  
Location: Ewert House, Oxford  
Term Dates: 21 Jan 2026 to 25 Mar 2026  
Tutor: Michael Wagner

The reading list below was supplied by the course tutor.

If you have enrolled on a course starting in the autumn, you can become a borrowing member of the Rewley House library from 1st September. If you are enrolled on a course starting in other terms, you can become a borrowing member once the previous term has ended. For example, students starting in January can join the Library in early December and those starting in April can join in early March.

If you are planning to purchase any books, please keep in mind that courses with insufficient students enrolled will be cancelled. The Department accepts no responsibility for books bought in anticipation of a course running.

### Preparatory Reading List

*The items on this list are to give you some background to the materials and ideas that we will be covering on the course.*

Author	Title
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Colley, Linda	<i>Britons: Forging the Nation 1707-1837</i>
Langford, Paul	<i>Eighteenth-Century Britain: a Very Short Introduction</i>

### Course Reading List

*The items on this list are to support your learning while you are taking the course.*

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Armitage, David, and Braddick, Michael J.	<i>The British Atlantic World, 1500-1800 (Basingstoke: Palgrave, 2002)</i>
Brewer, John	<i>The Sinews of Power</i>
Devine, T.M.	<i>The Scottish Nation 1700-2007 parts I and II</i>
Gauci, P.	<i>Emporium of the World</i>
Gibney, J.	<i>A Short History of Ireland 1500-2000 part III</i>

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- Hilton, B. *A Mad, Bad and Dangerous People? England 1783-1846*
- Hoppit, J. *A Land of Liberty? England 1689-1727*
- Marshall, P. J. (editor) *The Oxford History of the British Empire: the Eighteenth Century, chapters 3, 4, 8, 20, 22*
- Minchinton, W.E. (editor) *The Growth of English Overseas Trade*
- Morgan, K. *Slavery, Atlantic Trade and the British Economy 1660-1800*
- Porter, R. *English Society in the 18th Century*
- Prest, W. *Albion Ascendant: English History 1660-1815*
- Rude, George *Hanoverian London, 1714-1898*
- Smyth, J. *The Making of the United Kingdom 1660-1800*