

LOCATION / TOPIC

TITLE & DESCRIPTION

General

All About the Enlightenment: The Age of Reason (15:24) ★★

This valuable program examines the amazing historical era known as the Enlightenment or "Age of Reason." It examines the key contributions of Isaac Newton, the French philosophers, Denis Diderot, and Carolus Linnaeus in helping to shape brand-new way of seeing and relating to the world © 2004 United Learning

Great Books

Great Books: Plato's Republic (27:00) ★★ ★★

Identified as the father of philosophy, the first feminist, a revolutionary, and the original idealist, Plato's concepts come to life through dramatizations of scenes from his writings and interviews with experts and scholars. © 1997 Discovery Channel School

Great Books

Great Books: The Prince (27:00) ★★ ★★

Machiavelli's masterpiece of manipulation and political intrigue was written more than 500 years ago, but its principles still live. Politician Gary Hart and statesman Henry Kissinger, among others, discuss how "The Prince" has influenced world leaders and the course of history from medieval times until the present. Produced by Discovery Channel School. © 1997 Discovery Channel School

Great Books

Great Books: Walden (27:00) ★★ ★★

Emphasizing the importance of spirituality over materialism, this classic work of American Transcendentalism urges people to free themselves from the "quiet desperation" of their lives. Interviews with Don Henley of the Eagles, founder of the Walden Woods Project, and former President Jimmy Carter reveal the power Thoreau's thinking exerts in the American psyche. Produced by Discovery Channel School. © 1997 Discovery Channel School

Famous Authors

Famous Authors: Voltaire: 1694-1778 (36:21) ★★ ★★

Voltaire wrote plays and novels and historical and philosophical works. His outspokenness constantly landed him in trouble with the authorities. He became the leading liberal voice of the French Enlightenment and has had a worldwide influence ever since. © 2002 United Learning