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Answer one of the questions.

1. Give a brief account of humanism and the Renaissance idea of man and discuss their role in, and significance for, Shakespeare's *Hamlet*.
2. Discuss the main features and qualities of Wordsworth's poem "Composed upon Westminster Bridge", also commenting on how it may be regarded as characteristic of the Romantics (text provided below).

Earth hath not anything to show more fair:
Dull would he be of soul who could pass by
A sight so touching in its majesty:
This City now doth, like a garment, wear
The beauty of the morning; silent, bare,
Ships, towers, domes, theatres and temples lie
Open unto the fields, and to the sky;
All bright and glittering in the smokeless air.

Never did sun more beautifully steep
In his first splendor, valley, rock, or hill;
Ne'er saw I, never felt, a calm so deep!
The river glideth at his own sweet will:
Dear God! The very houses seem asleep;
And all that mighty heart is lying still!