

LITERATURE, ETHICS, AND AUTHORITY
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Class #4: Tuesday 20 February 2001

Read:

Alan Bennett, The Madness of George III

Study Questions:

1. Have you experienced CEO's who behaved like George III, both sane and insane?
2. "I have always been myself even when I was ill. Only now I seem myself. That's the important thing." (p. 70) Why is seeming oneself the important thing for the King? What kind of a man is he, and what kind of a man does his position demand that he be?
3. What is the role of expertise in this play, at all levels of the social and court hierarchy?