

# Interview to CHARLES DICKENS

*I-When and where were you born?*

D-I was born in Portsmouth, England, on February 7, 1812.

*I-What was your first job?*

D- I started working ten hours a day in Warren's boot-blackening factory, a factory for shoe polish, located near Charing Cross railway station in London. I worked pasting labels on cans polish shoes (shoe polish) and earned six shillings a week.

*I-What were the houses like?*

D-The house of a worker were very basic. Poorly insulated, no bathroom or running water. It was normal to have a kitchen and two bedrooms for the whole family.

*-What about school?*

D-I really do not study until the age of nine, I learnt culture in William Gile School and graduated in Oxford, but my studies were interrupted when my father, a petty official was jailed in 1824 for not paying his debts.

*-How did people use to dress?*

D- In 19th century, women dressed with:

- Slightly exaggerated jewelry
- Simple designs
- Mangas profile
- Narrow waists
- Long skirts with volume

Men dressed with:

- Hats and high collars
- Tailored jacket
- Shirt
- Pants
- Frock-coat
- Vest
- Curly hair, long moustache and knobs. Beardless

*I-Can you explain the life conditions?*

-He was also very expensive store food and do housework. So the lower-class people lived very poorly and has a very unhealthy life, while those in the highest class, living much better.

*I-Can you tell us what about the Realism in literature?*

-The literary Realism was born in France, in the first part of the 19th century as a movement opposite to the Romanticism and tries to traslade the reality in the art, it tries to represent the most credible

thing. Some destacated authors were Mark Twain, Robert Louis Stevenson and me.

*I-What famous books did you write?*

D-I wrote some famous books, like "A Christmas Carol", "Oliver Twist" or "David Copperfield"



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