

# Romanticism

- Counteracts Rationalism/The Age of Reason
- Reason is reliable in science, but it will never lead humans to TRUTH
- Interest in Nature—the primitive, natural, uncivilized way of life
- Feelings and emotions are subjective
- Spontaneity in thought, action, and expression
- Natural genius and the power of imagination
- Exalts the individual and his/her intuition

# Sweet, Sour, Salty, Bitter... and Umami

1. Why has the “magic” number four persisted throughout the centuries as being the number of tastes?
2. What did Escoffier invent that revolutionized the way we think about taste?
3. What is glutamate, and how is it related to *umami*?
4. Which medium describes delivers the article better: the audio or the written version? Give details to explain your answer.
5. What is the major purpose of this article?
6. Does the article make its point across? In what ways does it succeed/fail?
7. What question/s might you have for the author of the story?
8. How does this article relate to our study of Romanticism?