

"The Raven" by Edgar Allan Poe

1. The setting is in the narrator's _____ .
2. The poem takes place during the month of _____.
3. The time of day/night is _____.
4. The weather is described as _____ .
5. In the exposition, the speaker is:
 - a. reading old books.
 - b. drinking nepenthe.
 - c. expecting a late visitor at his door.
6. Where does the rapping come from at first?
 - a. Behind his chair
 - b. At his window
 - c. At his chamber door
7. What is the significance of the raven perching on the bust of Pallas?
 - a. Pallas is a symbol of freedom.
 - b. Pallas is a symbol of wisdom.
 - c. Pallas is a symbol of death.
8. The mood of the poem is:
 - a. Cheerful
 - b. Gloomy
 - c. Exciting
9. The raven always replies with "_____."
10. You can infer from the poem's conclusion that the speaker will:
 - a. be reunited with Lenore.
 - b. die soon.
 - c. never escape his despair.
11. "Leave no black plume as a token of that lie thy soul hath spoken!" This means:
 - a. Don't leave any black smoke showing that you were lying to me.
 - b. Don't leave a feather as a coin to curse me with.
 - c. Don't even leave behind a feather to remind me of the lies you told me.
12. What type of poem is "The Raven?" _____
13. "Doubting, dreaming dreams no mortal ever dared to dream before;" contains an example of what sound device?

"Once upon a midnight dreary, while I pondered weak and weary,"

In the line above, find the two words that exemplify internal rhyme.

14. _____ 15. _____

"And the silken sad uncertain rustling of each purple curtain..."

In the line above, find the four words that are an example of consonance and record them.

16. _____ 17. _____

18. _____ 19. _____

"For the rare and radiant maiden whom the angels named Lenore -"

In the line above, find the four words that are an example of assonance and record them.

20. _____ 21. _____

22. _____ 23. _____

"Back into the chamber turning, all my soul within me burning,
Soon again I heard a tapping somewhat louder than before.
'Surely,' said I 'surely that is something at my window lattice;
Let me see what thereat is, and this mystery explore -
Let my heart be still a moment and this mystery explore; -
'Tis the wind and nothing more!"

24. What is the rhyme scheme in the stanza above? _____

Essay Question: Answer the following question with complete sentences in paragraph form.
(At least five sentences.)

25. What is your favorite short story or poem that we have read? ("The Raven," "The Tell-Tale Heart," "The Monkey's Paw," "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow," "The Necklace," or "The Celebrated Jumping Frog of Calaveras County"?) Why? (Give specific reasons/evidence from the text to support your answer.)