

Daily Primer:



What  
scares  
you the  
most?





# THE RAVEN

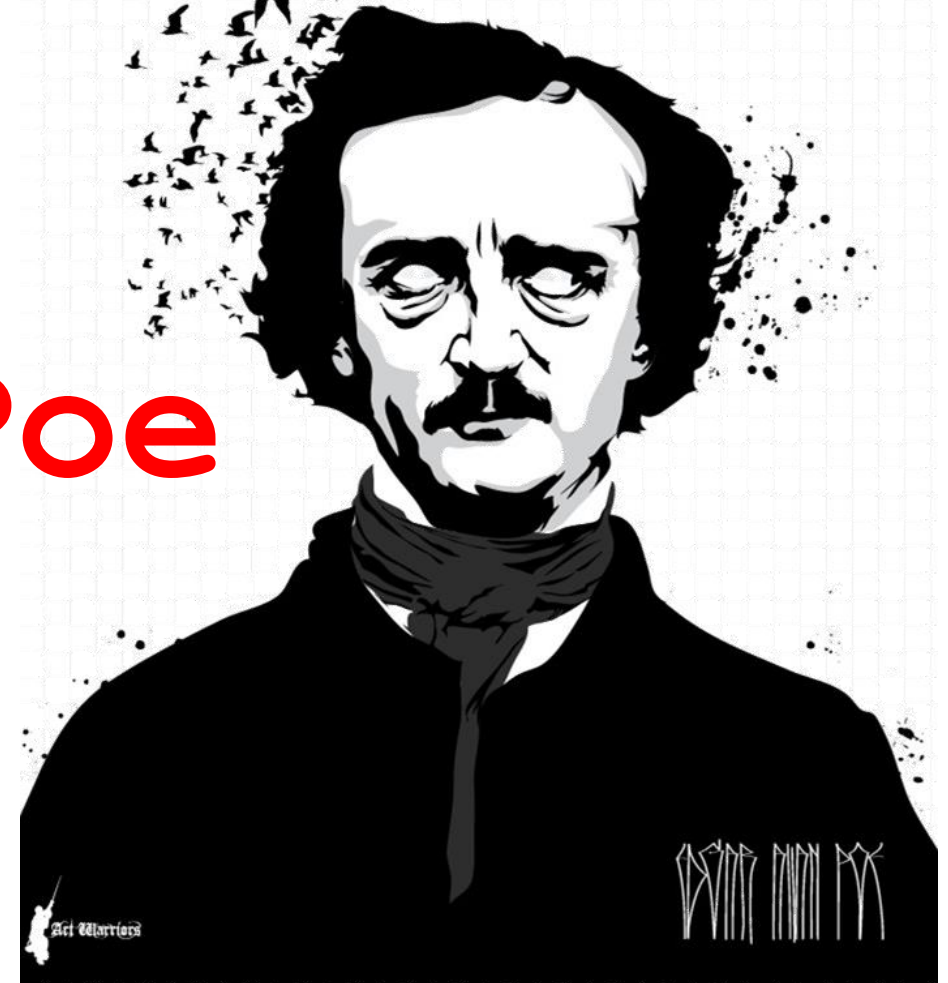
by Edgar Allan Poe





# Edgar Allan Poe

He put the “poe” in poetry.



“I became insane, with long intervals of horrible sanity.”

**1809–1849**

- Edgar Allan Poe

For **Poe**,  
the  
scariest  
thing is  
the **death**  
of your  
**true**  
**love**.





Poe's wife  
Virginia was dying  
of tuberculosis  
while he wrote his  
poem about a man  
**haunted** by the  
loss of his love,  
**Lenore**.



Click to hear "The Raven."



# THE RAVEN

In your groups, read through each stanza of the poem. In the margin, draw a symbol or picture beside each stanza that illustrates what is happening in that stanza.



# THE RAVEN

1. How does Poe's word choice contribute to the mood of the poem? Circle at least 5 words that you feel create this effect.
2. Do you think there really was a raven in the speaker's chambers? Why or why not?
3. Find and write down 2 pieces of evidence in the text that the speaker is going insane.
4. Poe could have chosen many other types of birds (a parrot, an owl, a sparrow) to enter the chamber, but he chose a raven. Why?







What Elements of

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can you identify?





	"The Raven"
Manipulation of Fears	
Helplessness of Character	
Exaggeration	
The Supernatural	
Dark Setting	
Mystery and Suspense	
Motivation	



# Daily Primer:

The raven in Poe's poem perches upon a bust of Pallas, the Greek Goddess of wisdom and war. Explain the symbolism in the raven using this specific object as his perch...



# Daily Primer:

Get ready to compare and contrast two versions of Poe's "The Raven."





# Daily Primer:

## Texts from E.A.P.

hey

hi

i can't get out of the house right now

no  
it's like  
there's this bird

where are you?

where are you?  
you're like two hours late  
it's almost midnight

is your car blocked?  
do you need a ride?

there's a bird on your car?

no he's sitting on my statue  
it's like  
mm it just keeps looking at me  
got those fiery bird eyes  
you know?

what?

fired up eyebirds  
you know  
like how when a bird looks at you so much  
that you can't leave the house

that's  
no  
that's never happened to me

well it's happening like crazy over here  
so i have to keep looking at him  
it might take a while  
oh and plus i fell asleep reading  
i was asleep for like an hour  
i literally just woke up  
and now i have this bird thing to deal with  
so i don't think i'm going to make it tonight  
sorry hun :)



search Contacts for "Lenore"

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# Daily Primer:

## Texts from E.A.P.

hey is Virginia going to be there

which Virginia?

the hot one

I don't know which one you mean

the one who's always sick  
i think she has cholera  
or tuberculosis or something

the tall one?

no

the redhead?

the one whose dad is brothers with my dad

your cousin Virginia?

lol idk how else you make cousins  
except for having dads that are brothers  
so yeah  
oh

I don't know

save me a seat next to her okay  
if she's coming