

American Literature
Study Guide - The Raven (Poe).tgt

Name: _____ Date: _____

Write the letter of the best answer. (4 points each)

- _____ 1. In the poem, the bust of Pallas is most probably intended to represent
- A. death.
 - B. sorrow.
 - C. reason.
 - D. romantic love.
- _____ 2. What is the end-of-line rhyme scheme of the poem?
- A. abcbbb
 - B. abcbbc
 - C. abcccb
 - D. abcccc
- _____ 3. Which lines of each stanza contain internal rhyme?
- A. the first and second
 - B. the first and third
 - C. the second and third
 - D. the second and fourth
- _____ 4. In lines 91-95, what is the main thing that the speaker seeks from the raven?
- A. reason to hope
 - B. reason to believe the raven
 - C. an explanation for Lenore's death
 - D. an explanation for the raven's appearance
- _____ 5. By the end of the poem, where does the speaker assume that the raven has come from?
- A. hell
 - B. Eden or heaven
 - C. the shores of a nearby sea
 - D. the home of an unhappy master

Recall the events in the poem. Then answer each question in sentences or phrases.

6. Why is the speaker in his library when the poem begins?
7. Where does the rapping come from at first? Where does it come from the second time?

American Literature
Study Guide - The Raven (Poe).tgt

8. Where does the raven perch?
9. What does the speaker ask the raven about Lenore?
10. Why does the speaker tell the raven to leave?

Answer one of the following questions based on your understanding of the poem. Write your answer on a separate sheet of paper. (15 points)

11. What do you think it means that the raven is still present at the end of the poem? Use details from the poem and your own ideas to support your opinion.
12. What do you think the raven represents in this poem? Use details from the poem to support your answer.

Answer the following question based on your own experience and knowledge. Write your answer on a separate sheet of paper. (15 points)

13. Identify three healthy ways to cope with grief. Support your ideas with real or made-up examples.