



UNLOCK THE DOOR TO THE LIFE AND LITERATURE OF EDGAR ALLAN POE IN THIS AWARD-WINNING SITE. THROUGH THIRTEEN HIGHLY INTERACTIVE ACTIVITIES YOU WILL INTERACT WITH POE THE PERSON AND POE THE WRITER. TRAVEL TO 19TH CENTURY BALTIMORE AND TOUR POE'S HOME. EXAMINE POE'S POETRY AND SHORT STORIES WHILE IDENTIFYING HIS LITERARY DEVICES. INVESTIGATE THE MYSTERY THAT SHROUDS POE'S DEATH. SEE ACTOR JOHN ASTIN PORTRAY POE THROUGHOUT THE SITE.



Interact With Poe At knowingpoe.thinkport.org



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INTERACTIVE ACTIVITIES

POE THE PERSON: Poe's Baltimore

Explore how Edgar Allan Poe's Baltimore compares with today's city.

GREAT FOR: *Regional geography studies.*



203 N. Amity Street

Take a virtual — and comprehensive — field trip to Poe's tiny Baltimore home.

GREAT FOR: *Observing American culture in the 1800's.*



Interactive Timeline

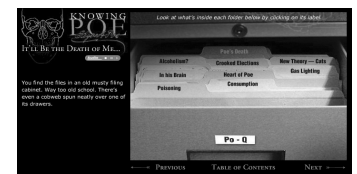
Compare events in Poe's life and his writing career to events in American literature and Baltimore, Maryland and U.S. History.

GREAT FOR: *Contextualizing Poe's life and writings.*

It'll Be The Death Of Me

Become immersed in this interactive story to try and solve the mystery: What caused Poe's death?

GREAT FOR: *Exploring narrative elements such as plot and setting; forming opinions based on information.*



School Days

Figure out how the cost of schooling a young Poe compares with school costs today.

GREAT FOR: *Real-world mathematics experiences*



Explore the life of Poe today!

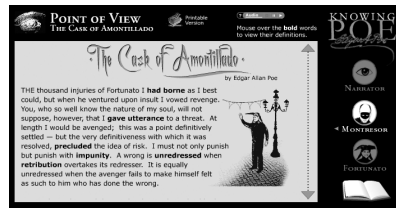
INTERACTIVE ACTIVITIES

POE THE WRITER:

Point of View

Experience Poe's "The Cask of Amontillado" through the eyes of three different narrators.

GREAT FOR: Showing how a change in narrative voice changes a reader's perceptions



The Bells

Experiment to show how voice, intonation, and sound effects influence the way readers experience this famous Poe poem.

GREAT FOR: Preparing for oral presentations

The Poetic Principle

Analyze Poe's famous essay on poetry and apply its principles to look at "Annabelle Lee".

GREAT FOR: Examining a primary-source document; understanding literary criticism

Secret Writing

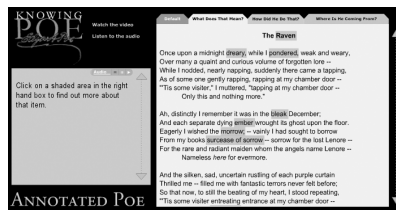
Investigate cryptography — how it works and how it figures into Poe's short story "The Gold Bug".

GREAT FOR: Exploring patterns

Annotated Poe

Dig deeper into Poe's "The Raven", unlocking rhyme schemes, vocabulary, context, and meaning.

GREAT FOR: Modeling appropriate ways to analyze poetry



Poe the Perfectionist

Examine three versions of "The Lake" to see how Poe changed its words, structure, and punctuation.

GREAT FOR: Looking at the editing process

My Tell-Tale Heart

Annotate and print your own version of this Poe classic, noting predictions, questions, and much more, using special icons and a personal electronic notepad.

GREAT FOR: Encouraging active reading

Picture This

Select images that you feel represent the ideas and feeling Poe included in his story, "The Black Cat". Then, use the images you have selected to recreate the story in your own words.

GREAT FOR: Visually-oriented learners



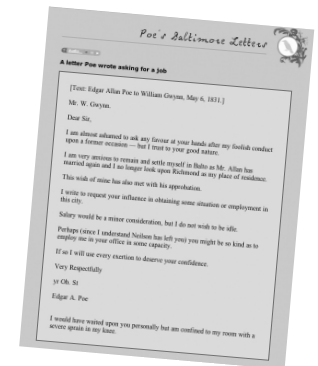
THE POE LIBRARY

PRIMARY SOURCE DOCUMENTS Explore letters and objects related to Poe's life and death.

VIDEO CLIP: JOHN ASTIN RECITES "THE RAVEN" Experience Poe's celebrated poem with the interpretation by this award-winning actor.

POE'S BALTIMORE LETTERS Find out more details of Poe's life in Baltimore through his own letters.

POE IN THE NEWS Discover more about the Baltimore Ravens, the Poe Toasters, and other ways Poe's mark is still felt today.



PLUS...

CLASSROOM CONNECTIONS With lesson plans and tips on using each interactive in the classroom

SPECIAL RESOURCES To help struggling readers

FOR FAMILIES A section with links to books about Poe, audio recordings, and real and virtual field trips to sites related to Poe.

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