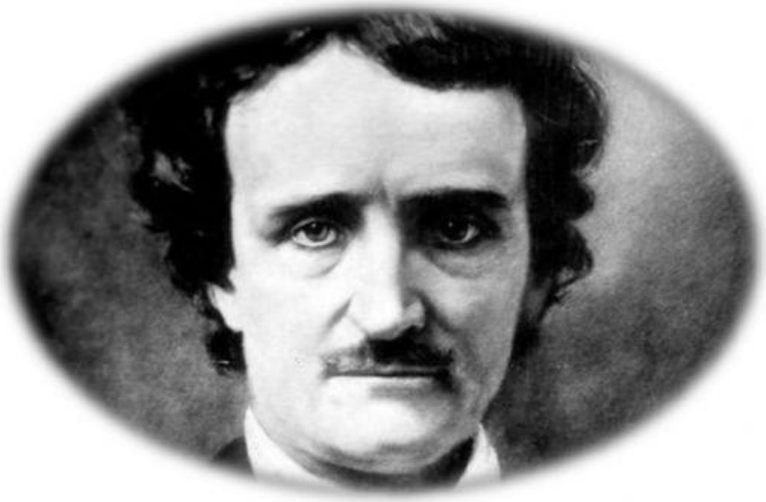
BOOK'S DAY- EDGAR ALLAN POE (6th PRIMARY)

The Life of Edgar Allan Poe



The early years...

- Edgar Allan Poe was an author, poet, editor, and literary critic.
- His name was just Edgar Poe when he was born on January 19, 1809 in Boston, Massachusetts.

The early years continued...

- Edgar's father left when he was a baby and soon after, his mother died.
- He was fostered by the Allan family in Virginia.
- In 1815, when Edgar was 6, the Allan family moved to the U.K. near London.

Poe as a young man...

- In February of 1826, Poe enrolled in college at University of Virginia.
- He dropped out after one year because of gambling debts.
- Poe joined the U.S. Army in 1827 because he needed money. He was paid $5.00 a month.

Poe's life in the 1830's...

- Between 1827 and 1830, Poe quit the army and had written 3 books of poems.
- In the 1830's, Poe wrote many short stories and became editor for a newspaper.
- On September 22, 1835, Poe married his 13 year old cousin Virginia.

The middle years...

- In the late 1830's and the 1840's, Poe had a successful career as a literary critic and editor at different magazines.
- He also published many stories and poems that were somewhat successful.

In 1842, Poe's wife, Virginia, started feeling sick. Poe began to drink more than ever.

- In 1845, Poe's most famous poem, "The Raven," was published. He only made $9.00 from it's publication.
- In 1846, Virginia finally died from her sickness.
- Poe became very depressed and drank heavily.
- On October 7, 1849 Poe died. He had been found on a street, drunk and wearing another person's clothes.
- His death is still a mystery.

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1. Match the years with the events

1845	Allan's family moves to U.K
1809	He dies
1835	He writes his most famous poem "The Raven".
1815	Egar Poe was born
1849	He married Virginia

2. Are the sentences true or false?

Edgar Allan Poe was born in London:	True	False
Poe join the Army because of money:	True	False
In the 1840's Poe was successful:	True	False
He married his old niece:	True	False
Poe died at home when he was old:	True	False

3. Find the words in the text with the following meanings:

a) to enlist (oneself):

b) to play at a game of chance for money:

c) anything kept secret or unexplained or unknown:

d) a person who writes poetry:

e) a type of thin book published regularly that contains articles:

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