

1. The word "dull" in the phrase "a dull, dark and silent day" most closely means:
 - A) Bright
 - B) Boring and lifeless
 - C) Colorful
 - D) Exciting
2. In the phrase "my spirits sank," the word "spirits" refers to:
 - A) Physical strength
 - B) Emotions or mood
 - C) Supernatural beings
 - D) Alcoholic beverages
3. The term "decay" in the sentence "the general appearance of decay about the house" can be defined as:
 - A) Growth
 - B) Improvement
 - C) Deterioration
 - D) Preservation
4. The word "sorrowful" in the context of "seemed even more sorrowful than the reality" most closely means:
 - A) Joyful
 - B) Happy
 - C) Sad
 - D) Indifferent
5. The word "urgent" in the text most closely means:
 - A) Unimportant
 - B) Immediate and pressing
 - C) Relaxed
 - D) Casual
6. In the phrase "suffering from a severe illness," the word "severe" refers to:
 - A) Mild
 - B) Intense or serious
 - C) Temporary
 - D) Unnoticeable
7. The phrase "sensitive and imagination" in reference to Roderick Usher's family suggests they are:
 - A) Indifferent and dull
 - B) Emotionally aware and creative
 - C) Aggressive and hostile
 - D) Simple-minded