

AMERICAN HORROR - Five Terrifying Tales

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A. Watch the [video](#) and choose the correct answer: A, B, or C.

1. According to Poe's cardinal rule of "unity of effect," a short story should be designed to:

- A. Present a clear moral lesson for the reader
- B. Evoke a single, intense emotion in the reader
- C. Tell a story with multiple changing plotlines

2. In Poe's psychological stories, how does he use the literary device of the "unreliable narrator"?

- A. Through an all-knowing narrator who explains every character's true motivation
- B. Through a main character whose sanity or honesty cannot be trusted
- C. Through an objective reporter who presents cold, factual evidence

3. Which type of writing is Poe's famous work *The Raven*?

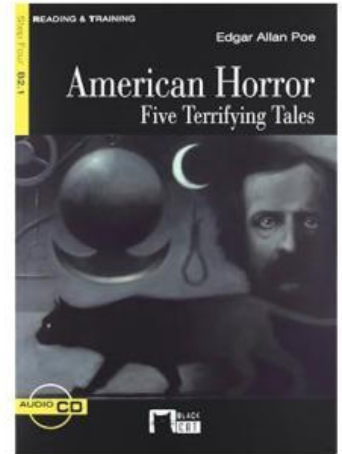
- A. Poetry
- B. Biography
- C. Newspaper journalism

4. Poe is particularly famous for helping develop which type of story?

- A. Detective and mystery fiction
- B. Historical romance
- C. Travel writing

5. How did Poe contribute to the early development of science fiction?

- A. By writing a story about a fictional balloon flight to the moon



B. By publishing textbooks on 19th-century engineering

C. By inventing new printing technology

6. Besides writing fiction and poetry, what role did Poe play in 19th-century literature?

A. A severe and exacting literary critic

B. A government censor

C. A publisher of children's fairy tales

7. What distinguishes Poe's style of horror writing from traditional ghost stories?

A. It relies on humorous situations and happy endings

B. It explores the terrifying depths of the human mind

C. It focuses exclusively on physical monsters

