

1. "The Tell-Tale Heart" by Edgar Allan Poe

- A. The narrator confesses to the murder because he believes he can hear the old man's heart beating beneath the floorboards.
- B. The narrator carefully watches the old man every night, becoming increasingly obsessed with his eye.
- C. The narrator lives with an old man whose strange, pale eye fills him with fear and hatred.
- D. The narrator kills the old man, hides his body beneath the floorboards, and welcomes the police when they arrive.
- E. While talking to the police, the narrator becomes increasingly disturbed by what he believes is the sound of the old man's beating heart.

Freytag's Pyramid: read the sentences and write the correct letter.

EXPOSITION: ___

RISING ACTION: ___

CLIMAX: ___

FALLING ACTION: ___

RESOLUTION: ___

THEMES:

- A. True friendship can help people overcome their deepest fears.
- B. Guilt and a troubled mind can lead to a person's psychological downfall.
- C. Wealth and social status are the keys to happiness.

My answer: _____

2. "The Monkey's Paw" by W. W. Jacobs

- A. Mrs. White begs her husband to use the monkey's paw to bring their dead son back to life.
- B. Mr. White makes a final wish, and the knocking at the door suddenly stops.
- C. The White family lives peacefully with their son, Herbert, until Sergeant-Major Morris visits and shows them a mysterious monkey's paw.
- D. Herbert dies in a workplace accident, and the family receives compensation money.
- E. After making their first wish, the Whites receive the money connected to Herbert's death and realize the paw's wishes have terrible consequences.

Freytag's Pyramid: read the sentences and write the correct letter.

EXPOSITION: ___

RISING ACTION: ___

CLIMAX: ___

FALLING ACTION: ___

RESOLUTION: ___

THEMES:

- A. Hard work and determination always lead to success.
- B. Family loyalty can solve every problem.
- C. Trying to control fate and interfere with the natural order can have terrible consequences.

My answer: _____

3. "The Fall of the House of Usher" *by Edgar Allan Poe*

- A. The narrator escapes from the house as it splits apart and sinks into the dark tarn.
- B. The narrator visits his childhood friend, Roderick Usher, who lives in a gloomy, decaying mansion.
- C. Madeline returns from the tomb and collapses on Roderick. Both siblings die.
- D. Roderick tells the narrator that Madeline has died, and they place her body in a vault beneath the house.
- E. Strange sounds fill the house, Roderick becomes increasingly terrified, and the narrator tries to calm him.

Freytag's Pyramid: read the sentences and write the correct letter.

EXPOSITION: ___

RISING ACTION: ___

CLIMAX: ___

FALLING ACTION: ___

RESOLUTION: ___

THEMES:

- A. Isolation, fear, and decay can lead to destruction.
- B. Education and knowledge are more important than family relationships.
- C. People should always trust strangers who offer their help.

My answer: _____