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***The Mystery of Edgar Allan Poe***

**An A&E Biography Video (50 minutes)**

1. When and where was Edgar Allan Poe born?

2. What happened to Edgar Allan Poe’s father?

3. How did his mother die?

4. What were some differences between Edgar Allan Poe and his new foster father, John Allan?

5. What were some interests of Edgar Allan Poe, other than his writing?

6. How did he feel towards his new foster father?

7. What did he pick as his new name?

8. Where did he attend school? What happened to him there and why did he leave?

9. Whom did he go to after the military?

10. What type of person does Edgar Allan Poe seem at this point?

11. When Poe’s foster father died, what did Edgar inherit?

12. What kind of editor was Poe for the *Southern Literary Messenger* and *Gentleman’s Magazine*?

13. What caused him to go into his worst drinking binge?

14. How does he feel towards his cousin Virginia? What are some names he uses to refer to her?

15. What type of relationship do Edgar and Virginia have?

16. What events in his life gave him inspiration to write?

17. Why did he create the detective story? Who is his detective?

18. What in the “Tell-Tale Heart” resembles events in his life?

19. What disease has killed all of the women he has loved?

20. What effect would this have on a person?

21. Which of his writings shot him to fame during this time?

22. What was “The Raven” about symbolically?

23. Who does Lenoir Symbolize?

24. How did Edgar cope with Virginia’s last years?

25. Where did he move her?

26. How did he feel during this time?

27. How did he immortalize Virginia during the last year of his own life?

28.How does he handle his life now that Virginia is gone?

29. How does Edgar Allan Poe feel towards women?

30. What happened to his drinking habit?

31. What are some theories on his death?

32. What were his last words?