The Cask of Amontillado”
Complete all questions in complete sentences. Don’t forget to steal and spit!

1. What does the name “Fortunato” suggest? What do you think of a character who will not tolerate insult without seeking revenge?
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2. In the beginning of the story, what is motivating the narrator?
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3. How does the narrator behave around his "friend" Fortunato?
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4. List three phrases or words from the first paragraph that show the narrator’s exaggerated language.
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5. List the weakness and strength that the narrator gives about Fortunato in the beginning of the story.
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Strength: _________________________________________________________________
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6. When the narrator first sees Fortunato at the carnival, he says he is pleased to see him.
   A. Why is the narrator glad to see Fortunato?
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B. What conclusion might the narrator’s behavior in this scene lead you to draw about his mental state?

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7. What does the narrator tell Fortunato that gets Fortunato excited or worked up?

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8. What strategy does the narrator use to lure Fortunato to his palace?

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9. Explain how the narrator can be described as “manipulative”?

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10. Does the narrator trust his servants? Explain why or why not.

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11. What does it mean that Fortunato has a “rheum of intoxication” in his eyes?

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12. “The cough is a mere nothing; it will not kill me. I shall not die of a cough.”
   a. Who says this quote?

   b. This quote is an example of what literary device? (check your key lit terms packet)

13. A. What images are shown on the Montresor coat of arms?
B. What does “Nemo me impune lacessit” mean? (the motto)

C. Based on the images and motto on the Montresor coat of arms, what can you conclude about this family?

14. A. What is a trowel?

B. Why might Montresor be carrying a trowel?

15. At the end of the story, Montresor says “my heart grew sick on account of the dampness of the catacombs.” Do you agree or disagree that this is what caused his heart to grow sick.