Edgar Allan Poe Scavenger Hunt

To learn more about Edgar Allan Poe’s life and how it affected and inspired his writing, find the answers to the following questions.

**DIRECTIONS**: Copy the link above the group of questions into Chrome. Preview the questions before you read the website. Then, READ THE ENTIRE SITE! Write answers to the questions in complete sentences. Don’t forget to steal and spit!

When you see a *STAR* next to a question, that means your group needs to collaboratively answer the index card question!

Go to:  [http://www.eapoe.org/geninfo/poechron.htm](http://www.eapoe.org/geninfo/poechron.htm)

1. When and where was Edgar Allan Poe born?

2. Name Edgar’s mother and father. Describe what happened in 1811 to both of his parents. **BE SPECIFIC!**

3. What happened to Edgar and his two siblings on December 26, 1811? **BE SPECIFIC!**

4. Identify Edgar’s new parents’ names. Explain how/why he ended up there.


5. When did the Allan’s move to England? How long did they stay? **For the 1st part of this question go back to the first website listed on this page.**

6. Name two of Edgar’s teachers.

*Keep going! Are you interested? Are you inquisitive? There are very interesting revelations coming!*
7. State two reasons why Edgar might have felt neglected during his stay in England.

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8. *****Express when and for what reasons (why) the Allan’s left England.

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Next, visit the website, http://www.poedecoder.com/Qrisse/bio/teens.php

9. When Edgar attended school in Richmond, VA he did well in ________________
   and ____________________________.

10. Edgar was also good in athletics. In which four areas did he excel?

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11. Name the university that Poe attended in 1826. Where is it located?

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12. Identify three languages he studied.

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13. Explain who Elmira Royster was. What was her relationship to Poe?

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14. *****Why did Poe’s quarrels with John Allan become stronger (more intense)?

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Next, click on INDEX at the bottom of the page and go to “S” and click on The Saturday Visiter.
Scroll down to the Death of John Allan.

15. What was going on in John Allan’s life around 1831? What was his relationship to Poe at this time?

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17. What happened in 1834?
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18. *****How much of John Allan’s estate went to Edgar?
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Next, click on Index at the bottom of the page go to “M” and click on Marriage to Virginia

19. Name two unusual things about Poe’s love for Virginia Clemm.
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20. What was the date of their marriage?
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Next, visit this website: http://www.poedecoder.com/Qrisse/bio/ratio.php

21. How did Poe change as a result of his marriage to Virginia?
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22. What happened to Virginia Poe during the 1840’s?
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Next, go to http://www.ushistory.org/tour/edgar-allan-poe-house.htm

23. For how many years did Poe live in Philadelphia? What were the dates?
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Keep going! Are you disturbed? Have you been shocked yet? There is still more to devastation to come!!!
24. *****Name one famous piece written by Poe while he lived in Philadelphia.

Use this site: http://www.encyclopediavirginia.org/Poe_Edgar_Allan_1809-1849 or 
Next, visit the Poe Museum Tour at http://www.poemuseum.org/poes_life/index.html 
Read the section on Poe's Life and answer the following questions

25. What happened on May 26, 1827? Under what name?

26. What tragedy occurred in 1847?

27. When did Edgar Allan Poe die?

28. *****Where is Poe buried?

Next, on the right hand side, click on the section entitled – Poe in Richmond. Read this section and answer the following questions.

29. What three reasons did Poe have for calling himself a Virginian?

Next, click on http://www.poemuseum.org/about-exhibits.php

30. Edward Valentine suggested to Mr. And Mrs. Archer Jones that a model of Richmond in Poe's time be made. Whom did they suggest to complete it? Why?

31. James Carling's illustrations of the famous poem_______________________ are on display at the Poe Museum. (Don't forget punctuation!)

Next, click on Poe's Life and on the right hand side find the link for Death Theories.

32. *****Describe four suggested causes of Poe’s death.

Keep going! You’re almost done. Do you pity Poe? Did you find his life interesting?
Use Google, www.google.com to help you answer the following question.

33.-35. Name 3 of Poe’s most famous works.
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Using any of the websites provided to you-NOT GOOGLE!

36.-38. Identify at least three interesting facts that you uncovered and discovered while reading. They cannot be facts that responded to a question that I already asked!
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Make some connections!

Briefly describe Washington Irving’s life (The Legend of Sleepy Hollow’s author). (Was he wealthy/poor, happy/depressed, childhood, successful/struggled, etc.)
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Based upon what you have learned about Edgar Allan Poe, summarize the type of life he had.
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How were Edgar Allan Poe and Washington Irving’s lives different?
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Founded in what you know about Poe’s life, make a prediction about his writing. Style, tone, mood, theme, etc.
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