HW: Complete the Raven packet
Have a wonderful Halloween

Do Now:
Copy down your homework. Take out last night’s homework.
In the current unit section of your binder, please respond to the following. Don’t forget to steal and spit!
What do you associate with the color black?
What do you think of or associate with a raven or crow?

LT: I can write an informative text that critically evaluates a topic
LT: I can cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text
LT: I can evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, assessing whether the reasoning is sound and the evidence is relevant and sufficient.

Edgar Allan Poe... Finally!
Looking at the words opposite taken directly from ‘The Raven’ predict what you think will happen in the poem.

Think about:
• Atmosphere
• Setting
• Time of day
• Time of year
• Characters

Dreary, Bleak, Ghost, Lost, Sorrow, Terrors, Darkness, Melancholy, Stern, Dirges, Grave, Stillness
“The Raven”
Simpsons-style


Write: Write a response in which you consider the effectiveness of the Simpson’s interpretation of Poe’s “The Raven.” What did they do right? Where did they go wrong? How and why did this video help you understand the meaning of this poem?

Response must at least 10-12 sentences long. Be sure to cite specific examples from the video and the poem to support your argument.
Additional Annotated "The Raven" Text
http://www.teachersfirst.com/lessons/raven/start.cf

Helping to understand "The Raven"

Shmoop Raven Analysis
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t=FypRx9xQ

Edgar Allan Poe...
"The Raven"
**WORD ASSOCIATION:**
List three (3) words that you associate with: INSANITY
rhymes?

1. _____________________________
2. _____________________________
3. _____________________________

**PREVIEW QUESTIONS:**
What do you expect from a poem that rhymes?

1. _____________________________
2. _____________________________
3. _____________________________

Which is more powerful: grief or insanity?

1. _____________________________

**TURN & TALK >>> Discuss your word associations with your neighbor. [LISTEN]**

**Additional Interactive text website:**
http://www.teachersfirst.com/lessons/raven/start.cfm

What is the setting of “The Raven”? _____________________________

Poe wrote “The Raven” in _____________ narration. (POV)

What is the rhyme scheme? _____________________________

The narrator experiences an _____________ conflict, which is an _____________ conflict

___________ a character.

The conflict is a battle between the narrator’s desire to _____________ and his desire to

___________.

The legal definition of insanity is _____________________________

Do you think the narrator is insane? _____________________________

The narrator is _____________ because he keeps expecting a _____________ answer from a bird that can

only say _____________.

Why do you think Poe chose a raven? _____________________________

Where does the musical sound and rhythm of the poem come from? _____________________________

Provide an example of alliteration. _____________________________

Who is Lenore? _____________________________ whose name was _____________.

Poe created Lenore after _____________ whose name was _____________.

Who is Lenore? _____________________________ whose name was _____________.

She was _____________ while Poe was writing the poem, and she _____________ shortly after it was published.

What is the tone? _____________________________
The poem progresses in feeling: ______________________________________
_________________________________             ____________________________________

What is the significance of the raven perching on the goddess of wisdom’s bust?  ______________
__________________________________________________________________________________________

Which of the following gothic elements are in “The Raven”?  
  - Setting  
  - Gothic Vocabulary  
  - Feeling of Gloom & Doom  
  - Mystery/Suspense  
  - Legend/Ancient Prophecy  
  - High Emotions  
  - Damsel in Distress  
  - Inexplicable Events  
  - Omens, Portents, or Visions  
  - Tyrannical Male Character  

Write a short summary of the action in “The Raven.”  ___________________  
___________________________  
__________________________________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________________________________

Do you think that narrator gained any sort of closure from the raven’s madness?  

**CREATIVE RESPONSE:** Sketch an image of the raven taunting the narrator or Lenore.
Now that you have read the poem look back at your predictions. Were they accurate?

Read through the poem and underline words that reinforce the theme of bleakness and helplessness. E.g ‘filled me with fantastic terror’ and ‘deep into the darkness peering’

Extension:
Reading through the poem decide what the characters chambers (his room) would look like. You can either draw a picture with labels or write a paragraph to describe the room