

Seven Stories of Mystery and Horror

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Words From the Story

2 scythe 3 creek 4 telescope 5 pirate 6 lantern 7 branch 8 rainbow 9 shovel 10 whale
11 hourglass 12 web 13 treasure 14 bridge 15 guitar 16 compass 17 coffin 18 mask
19 beetle 20 oar 21 spider 22 skull 23 lamp 24 pendulum

Word Focus 1

Group 1	Group 2
go/so	how/now
low	pound
no	down
toe	brown
throw	ground
	cow
	town

Word Focus 2

	Sentence	Group
1	Farmers sow seeds in the fields.	group 1
2	A big noise is called a row .	group 2
3	Legrand told Jupiter to row the boat.	group 1
4	Robin Hood had a bow and arrows.	group 1
5	Buddhists bow their heads in front of Buddha images.	group 2
6	A female pig is called a sow .	group 2

Grammar Focus 1: stop doing something / stop to do something

1	I stopped to look at the house.
2	Roderick Usher never stopped talking.
3	The doctor stopped to examine the patient.
4	The pendulum stopped moving.
5	The guests stopped dancing.
6	My watch had stopped working.
7	Wyatt stopped to take the box.
8	M. Valdemar had stopped breathing.

Grammar Focus 2: a and the

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Word Focus 3: shapes

1	2	3	4
circle	square	rectangle	triangle

an oblong is a rectangle

Grammar Focus 3: nouns and adjectives

1	The box was rectangular.
2	The blade was curved.
3	The room was square.
4	The pit was circular.
5	The window was triangular.
6	The measurement was linear.
7	The side of the whirlpool was sloping.
8	The land around the lake was marshy.

Making Sentences 1

1	The cell looked like a tomb.
2	The animals sounded like rats.
3	The picture looked like Time.
4	The blade looked like the pendulum of an old clock.
5	(I thought) The noise sounded like guns.
6	The voice sounded like the voice of M. Valdemar.
7	Madeline Usher looked like a walking corpse.
8	The walls of The Maelström looked like glass.

Words From the Story

1	The journey took two hours. / It took us two hours to reach the hill.
2	The trial took five days. / It took five days to finish the trial.
3	The trip took four hours. / It took four hours to complete the journey.
4	The fishing trip will take twelve hours.
5	The House of Usher took less than a minute to fall down.
6	It took Madeline Usher three days to escape from her coffin.
7	It took Legrand 30 days to find the answer to the Gold Bug cipher.
8	It took the ship a few minutes to sink.
9	It took the passengers an hour to reach the shore.
10	It took Legrand and Jupiter three trips to fetch all the treasure.

Story Focus: The Gold Bug Cipher

EDGAR ALLAN POE KNEW A LOT ABOUT SECRET WRITING
BUT HE COULD NOT EXPLAIN HIS METHODS