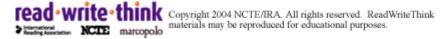
Edgar Allan Poe Author Study

Learn more about Poe: his life, his writing, the historical events of the time, and his influence on modern-day authors. Then, you will create a poster about what you have learned.

- Visit the Edgar Allan Poe Society of Baltimore site at <u>http://www.eapoe.org/</u> to learn more about Poe's life, writing, and publishing in Baltimore. Take notes as you read, and then choose several *relevant* and *interesting* details to illustrate on your poster. Be able to explain why you chose them and why they are relevant to an author study during your presentation.
- 2. Read a short historical biography of Poe at <u>http://www.eapoe.org/geninfo/poechron.htm</u> and learn about significant historical events that occurred during his lifetime.
 - Create a historical timeline about Poe's life for your poster using the Timeline Tool at http://www.readwritethink.org/materials/timeline/index.html
 - Read through the years of Poe's life, and choose several interesting events of his life as well as some of the historical details listed on the Poe Chronology.
 - Illustrate the details you have chosen.
 - Tie together Poe's life with historical details.
- 3. Several modern writers cite Poe as an influence in their own writing. What can you find out about these writers?
 - Visit the pages focusing on several other authors.
 - Ray Bradbury at http://www.raybradbury.com/
 - Sir Arthur Conan Doyle at http://www.sherlockian.net/
 - Stephen King at http://www.scarletking.20m.com/
 - After viewing their sites, show Poe's influence on one of these authors on your poster.
 - Choose a story from ONE author to illustrate similarities to the Poe stories you have read.
 - On your poster, illustrate connections or similarities with stories by Poe and your chosen author. Include written and pictorial information that details similarities in theme, character, setting and mood.



Edgar Allan Poe Author Study Rubric

Poster includes relevant and interesting details from E.A. Poe Web site that are illustrated	/25
Historical timeline ties Poe's life to historical details and is illustrated	/25
Modern-day author comparison illustrates connections or similarities with stories by Poe and includes written and pictorial information that detail similarities in theme, character, setting and mood	/25
Poster shows how historical events and events in Poe's life influenced the mood, style, and tone of his writing	/25
TOTAL	/100

