



LISTENING COMPREHENSION

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OBJECTIVE: To practice listening comprehension.

LEVEL: intermediate – advanced levels

TIME: 15 – 20 minutes

MATERIALS: Poem and Questions (below).

PROCEDURE: This exercise practices listening and comprehending simple sentences and answering simple questions taken from each sentence.

The teacher reads the poem one line at a time while randomly choosing a student who will answer each question. The students must listen to each line and answer the teacher's question as quickly as he/she can.

POEM - Annabel Lee by Edgar Allan Poe	QUESTIONS
1. It was many and many a year ago, 2. In a kingdom by the sea, 3. That a maiden there lived whom you may know 4. By the name of ANNABEL LEE; 5. And this maiden she lived with no other thought 6. Than to love and be loved by me.	1. How long ago? 2. Where is the kingdom? 3. Who lived there? 4. What is her name? 6. Loved by whom?
7. I was a child and she was a child, 8. In this kingdom by the sea; 9. But we loved with a love that was more than love- 10. I and my Annabel Lee; 11. With a love that the winged seraphs of heaven 12. Coveted her and me.	7. I was what? / She was what? 8. What was by the sea? 9. What kind of love? 10. Who? 12. Who was coveted?
13. And this was the reason that, long ago, 14. In this kingdom by the sea, 15. A wind blew out of a cloud, chilling 16. My beautiful Annabel Lee; 17. So that her highborn kinsman came 18. And bore her away from me, 19. To shut her up in a sepulcher 20. In this kingdom by the sea.	15. What came out of a cloud? 16. Describe Annabel Lee 17. Who came? 18. Away from whom? 19. To shut her up where? 20. Where is the kingdom?
21. The angels, not half so happy in heaven, 22. Went envying her and me- 23. Yes!- that was the reason (as all men know, 24. In this kingdom by the sea) 25. That the wind came out of the cloud by night, 26. Chilling and killing my Annabel Lee.	21. Where are the angels? 22. What did the angels do? 24. Who knew? 25. When did the wind come? 26. What did the wind do to Annabel Lee?
27. But our love it was stronger by far than the love 28. Of those who were older than we- 29. Of many far wiser than we- 30. And neither the angels in heaven above, 31. Nor the demons down under the sea, 32. Can ever dissever my soul from the soul 33. Of the beautiful Annabel Lee.	28. Older than who? 30. Where are the angels? 31. Where are the demons? 33. Who is beautiful?
34. For the moon never beams without bringing me dreams 35. Of the beautiful Annabel Lee; 36. And the stars never rise but I feel the bright eyes 37. Of the beautiful Annabel Lee; 38. And so, all the night-tide, I lie down by the side 39. Of my darling- my darling- my life and my bride, 40. In the sepulcher there by the sea, 41. In her tomb by the sounding sea.	34. Bringing me what? 35. Describe Annabel Lee 36. What do I feel? 38. Where do I lie down? 40. Where is the sepulcher? 41. Where is the tomb?

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