**“The Black Cat” by Edgar Allan Poe**

1. List a superstition you have heard associated with black cats.

2. What is the superstition about black cats to which the narrator refers?

3. Define “mad.”

4. What does the narrator say changed his behavior?

5. What two things does the narrator do to his cat?

6. Describe the narrator’s wife’s personality/temperament.

7. What happens to the narrator’s wife? Be specific if you choose!

8. Whom does the narrator blame for the death of his wife? Do you believe he is justified in assessing that blame?

9. List the events that lead to the narrator’s secret being discovered.

10. From where is the narrator telling us the story?

11. What is supposed to happen to the narrator tomorrow?

**Vocabulary from “The Black Cat”**

1. Baroques:
2. Tinctured:
3. Derivable: