



## English I: Reading: Module 1: Lesson 5: Section 5

### Reference Materials

### Researching Words You Don't Know

**Instructions:** Look up the following words from the poem “The Raven.” Write down the dictionary meaning of each. If there is more than one definition, pick the one that best fits how the word is used in the poem. Then explain the author’s purpose for choosing the word. Finally, add two connotative meanings of the word. The first word is done for you. When you are finished, you can mouse over the checkbox for a possible response.

**Word:** *pondered*

**Meaning:**

thought about

**Author’s Purpose:**

Poe probably chose the word “pondered” instead of “thought” to show that he was thinking about something so carefully that it was making him tired.

**Connotative Meanings:**

contemplated, meditated

**Word:** *quaint*

**Meaning:**

**Author’s Purpose:**

**Connotative Meanings:**





**Word:** *bleak*

Meaning:

Author's Purpose:

Connotative Meanings:



**Word:** *wrought*

Meaning:

Author's Purpose:

Connotative Meanings:



**Word:** *morrow*

Meaning:

Author's Purpose:

Connotative Meanings:





**Word:** *surcease*

Meaning:

Author's Purpose:

Connotative Meanings:



**Word:** *fantastic*

Meaning:

Author's Purpose:

Connotative Meanings:



**Word:** *entreating*

Meaning:

Author's Purpose:

Connotative Meanings:



**Word:** *implore*

hen no longer,  
ess I implore;  
you came rapping  
my chamber door

Meaning:

Author's Purpose:

Connotative Meanings:

**Word:** *scarce*

nd so faintly you  
hat I scarce was  
arkness there, and

Meaning:

Author's Purpose:

Connotative Meanings: