

Standards

SL1 Collaboration Discussions

W3 Narratives

In preparation for the reading of Poe's "The Pit and the Pendulum", you will pretend you find yourself alone, surrounded by complete darkness. To find out where you are located, you must rely on your other senses ... your hearing, your touch, your sense of smell, taste, and your ability to figure out your location.

Imagine this scenario and write down what you sense. Finally, reveal your location.

- What do you hear?
- What do you feel (touch)?
- What do you smell?
- What do you taste?
- What do you figure out?
- Where are you?

Write a paragraph answering the sensory questions above and at the end, reveal your location.

Example:

What do you hear? wind

What do you feel (touch)? Coldness and water

What do you smell? salt

What do you taste? salt

What do you figure out? There is little hope

Where are you? I am in the frigid ocean waters after the sinking of the Titanic.

Where am I? The last thing I remember was having dinner in the elegant ballroom. When I opened my eyes, it was completely dark. The first thing I noticed was the tremendous cold surrounding my body. I tried desperately to find my footing but it felt like I was in water – very, very, deep water. What is that smell in the air? Is it salt? Yes, it smells and tastes like salt. I can't keep treading water for much longer. There is little hope for me. I am in the frigid ocean waters after the sinking of the Titanic.