### Murders in the Rue Morgue pages 12-21

#### Put the words in the correct order.

gate is The locked.

I something see outside!

should go We down there.

for me! Wait

head Her fell off.

### **Reading Summary**

- People heard screams coming from Madame L'Espanaye's apartment.
- The police came and found the gate locked, but they got inside.
- The police found Mademoiselle L'Espanaye's body in the chimney and Madame L'Espanaye's body outside, but her head fell off.

## Vocabulary Match the word to the correct definition.

# Term 1. gate (noun) \_\_\_\_\_\_

- 2. Madame (noun)\_\_\_\_\_
- 3. chimney (noun)\_\_\_\_\_
- 4. officer (noun)\_\_\_\_\_
- 5. Mademoiselle (noun)\_\_\_\_\_
- a. A formal way to address a French woman, like 'Mrs.' in English.
- b. A formal way to address a young, unmarried French woman, like 'Miss' in English.
- c. A tall pipe that takes smoke away from a fireplace or furnace.
- d. A hinged barrier used to close an opening in a wall, fence, or hedge.
- e. A person holding a position of authority, especially in the armed forces or police.

### **Multiple Choice Questions**

Question #1	Question #2	Question #3
Where did the people who heard screams say the screams came from?	What did someone find in the chimney?	What happened when Odenheimer tried to roll Madame L'Espanaye's body

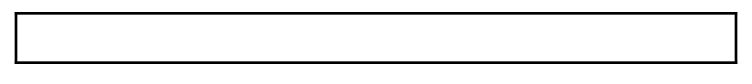
		over?
A. From the street.	L'Espanaye.  B. A cat.  C. A bag of money.	A. Her head fell off.
B. From Madame L'Espanaye's apartment.		<ul><li>B. She woke up.</li><li>C. She started screaming.</li><li>D. She disappeared.</li></ul>
C. From the police station.		
D. From a neighbor's house.	D. The murderer.	

## **Short Answer Questions**

Question #1	What did someone say after hearing the screams stop?
Question #2	On what floor did Madame and Mademoiselle L'Espanaye live?
Question #3	What did someone say when they found Madame L'Espanaye lying outside?

# **Open Ended Questions**

Question #1	The people in the story heard screams and didn't know what was happening. Have you ever been in a situation where you heard something or saw something and didn't know what was going on? How did you feel? What did you do?
Question #2	In the story, the characters work together to figure out what happened in the apartment. Tell about a time when you worked with others to solve a problem. What was your role? What did you learn from the experience?
Question #3	The police officer in the story had to be brave to look in the chimney. Describe a time when you had to be brave, even if you were scared. What made you scared, and how did you overcome your fear?



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