

## Romantic Test--Study Guide

What are the characteristics of the writers from this period? \_\_\_\_\_

Who are the four fireside poets? \_\_\_\_\_

Nokomis is a character in what poem by what writer? \_\_\_\_\_

Both Thoreau and Emerson are transcendentalists? What does this mean?

What was the message in the following writings:

“Self-Reliance” \_\_\_\_\_

*Walden* \_\_\_\_\_

“Civil Disobedience” \_\_\_\_\_

Review Short Stories: “Rip Van Winkle,” “The Fall of the House of Usher,” “Bartelby,” & “Young Goodman Brown.”

### Match the author with the description:

Poe First truly famous American fiction writer: **I** \_\_\_\_\_

Melville He was adopted but still married his cousin: \_\_\_\_\_

Thoreau Lived in the woods alone for over 2 years. \_\_\_\_\_

Longfellow Short life, short stories, short on money: \_\_\_\_\_

Hawthorne Alcohol cost him his job as a journalist: \_\_\_\_\_

Cooper Most successful poet of his age: **L** \_\_\_\_\_

Irving His ancestors were Puritans & part of the Witch Trials: \_\_\_\_\_

Emerson Wrote a series of books called The Leather Stocking Tales \_\_\_\_\_

Bryant Worked on a ship. \_\_\_\_\_

Whitman Some of his writing became famous aphorisms. **E** \_\_\_\_\_

Whittier Read before he was two; wrote a great poem at 17: **B** \_\_\_\_\_

Holmes Lost his wife to fire: \_\_\_\_\_

Lowell A Quaker: \_\_\_\_\_

Dickenson Celebrated sexuality: \_\_\_\_\_

Educated on a whale ship: \_\_\_\_\_

Transcendentalist (3) **W** \_\_\_\_\_ **T** \_\_\_\_\_ **E** \_\_\_\_\_

Lived in Salem: \_\_\_\_\_

Lived with Thoreau: **E** \_\_\_\_\_

A private person who never planned to publish: **D** \_\_\_\_\_

Preached the opposite of B. Franklin: **I** \_\_\_\_\_

Found a tribe more Christian than the Christians he knew: **M** \_\_\_\_\_

Wrote about hypocrisy in

“Young Goodman Brown” and *Scarlet Letter*: \_\_\_\_\_

### Who wrote this?

“Proem,” “Psalm of Life,” “Song of Hiawatha,” “Old Ironsides,” “Auspex,” “Because I could not stop for

Death,” *Leaves of Grass*: “Song of Myself,” “The Raven,” “Bartleby the Scriviner,” “Young Goodman

Brown,” “Rip Van Winkle,” Leatherstocking Tales: *The Deerslayer* and *Last of the Mohicans*, “Self-

Reliance,” *Walden*, *The Scarlet Letter*, “Civil Disobedience,” “The Black Cat,” “The Tell-Tale Heart,”

*Moby Dick*, “Snowbound,” “Annabel Lee,” and “Thanatopsis” (**Check Graphic Organizer as a key.**)

**Identify the writer:** T. Thoreau Ha. Hawthorne Lon. Longfellow M. Melville Ho. Holmes  
P. Poe Low. Lowell E. Emerson G. Greenleaf Whittier W. Walt Whitman I. Irving

1. \_\_\_ "Simplicity. Simplicity, Simplicity."
2. \_\_\_ "With heaven above and Faith below, I will yet stand firm against the devil."
3. \_\_\_ "Once upon a midnight dreary, while I pondered, weak and weary/Over many a quaint and curious volume of forgotten lore [...]."
4. \_\_\_ "Ah humanity!"
5. \_\_\_ "There is no good on earth; and sin is but a name."
6. \_\_\_ "Nothing can bring you peace but yourself. Nothing can bring you peace but the triumph of principles."
7. \_\_\_ "I felt that I breathed an atmosphere of sorrow. An air of stern, deep, and irredeemable gloom hung over and pervaded all."
8. \_\_\_ "His children, too, were as ragged and wild as if they belonged to nobody."
9. \_\_\_ "Not hear it?—yes, I hear it, and have heard it. Long—long—long—many minutes, many hours, many days, have I heard it—yet I dared not—oh, pity me, miserable wretch that I am!"
10. \_\_\_ "Nothing so aggravates an earnest person as passive resistance"
11. \_\_\_ "The mass of men lead lives of quiet desperation."
12. \_\_\_ "Be not like dumb driven cattle."
13. \_\_\_ "I too am not a bit tamed, I too am untranslatable; I sound my barbaric **YAWP** over the roofs of the world."
14. \_\_\_ "The road grew wilder and drearier and more faintly traced, and vanished at length, leaving him in the heart of the dark wilderness, still rushing onward with the instinct that guides mortal man to evil."
15. \_\_\_ "Trust thyself: every heart vibrates to that iron string."
16. \_\_\_ "If a man does not keep pace with his companions it is perhaps because he hears a different drummer. Let him step to the music which he hears, however measured or far away."
17. \_\_\_ "The mass of men serve the state thus, not as men mainly, but as machines, with their bodies [. . .]. Such command no more respect than men of straw or a lump of dirt [. . .]. Others—as most legislators, politicians, lawyers, ministers, and office holders—serve the state chiefly with their heads; and, as they rarely make any moral distinctions, they are as likely to serve the Devil, without intending it, as God. A very few, as heroes, patriots, martyrs, reformers in the great sense, and men, serve the state with their consciences also, and so necessarily resist it for the most part; and they are commonly treated as enemies by it."
18. \_\_\_ "We but half express ourselves, and are ashamed of that divine idea which each of us represents [. . .]."
19. \_\_\_ "I went to the woods because I wished to live deliberately, to front only the essential facts of life, and see if I could not learn what it had to teach, and not, when I came to die, discover that I had not lived."
20. \_\_\_ "[. . .]there was a long tumultuous shouting sound like the voice of a thousand waters—and the deep and dank tarn at my feet closed sullenly and silently over the fragments of the House of Usher."
21. \_\_\_ "I'd prefer not to."
22. \_\_\_ "A foolish consistency is the hobgoblin of little minds [. . .]."
23. \_\_\_ "Faith kept me back awhile."
24. \_\_\_ "Upon its head, with red extended mouth and solitary eye of fire, sat the hideous beast whose craft had seduced me into murder, and whose informing voice had consigned me to the hangman. I had walled the monster up within the tomb."
25. \_\_\_ "To be great is to be misunderstood."
26. \_\_\_ "The [letter] gave evidence of nervous agitation. The writer spoke of acute bodily illness, of a mental disorder which oppressed him, and of an earnest desire to see me, as his best and indeed his only personal friend, with a view of attempting by the cheerfulness of my society, some alleviation of his malady."
27. \_\_\_ "'A new commandment give I unto you, that ye love one another.' Yes this it was that saved me."
28. \_\_\_ "By the shores of Gitche Gumee,/By the shining Big-Sea Water, /Stood the wigwam of Nokomis, /Daughter of the Moon, Nokomis."
29. \_\_\_ "O Freedom! If to me belong/Nor might Milton's gift divine, Nor Marvell's wit and graceful song,/Still with a love as deep and strong/ As theirs, I lay, like them, my best gifts on thy shrine!"
30. \_\_\_ "I prefer not to."
31. \_\_\_ "Her deck once red with heroes blood where knelt the vanquished foe..."

**KEY** 1.Thoreau 2.Hawthorne YGB 2.Poe "Raven" 3.Melville "Bartleby..." 4.Hawthorne YGB 6.Emerson"Self Reliance" 7.Poe"Fall..." 8.Irving *Rip* 9.Poe"Fall..." 10. Melville "Bartleby" 11.Thoreau *Walden* 12.Longfellow "Psalm ofLife" 13. Whitman 14.Hawthorne YGB 15.Emerson 16.Thoreau *Walden* 17.Thoreau "Civil Disobedience" 18.Emerson 19.Thoreau *Walden* 20.Poe "Fall..." 21.Melville "Bartleby" 22.Emerson 23.Hawthorne YGB 24.Poe "Black Cat" 25.Emerson 26.Poe "Fall..." 27.Melville "Bartleby" 28.Longfellow 29.Greenleaf Whittier "Proem" 30.Melville "Bartleby" 31.Holmes "Ironsides (**Connecting the author to the work will be helpful.**)