**Exercise 1**: Answer the following questions

1. Who are the characters of the story

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1. At the beginning of the story, what is the first argument the man offers to show that he is not insane?

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1. Was there any kind of problem between the two men?

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1. [What is the narrator's motive for the murder?](http://www.helpteaching.com/questions/23705/what-is-the-narrators-motive-for-the-murder)

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1. [Why is the narrator unable to kill the old man before the eighth night?](http://www.helpteaching.com/questions/23708/why-is-the-narrator-unable-to-kill-the-old-man-before-the-ei)

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1. Why did the police arrive?

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**Exercise 02**: tick the best answer

**1. How was the man feeling at the opening of the story?**

A.Nervous

B.Hungry

C.Angry

**2. What sense was acute in the beginning of the story?**

A.Smell

B.Sight

C.Hearing

**3. Why did the man kill the old man?**

A.For his gold

B.Because of his pale blue eye

C.Because the old man wronged him

**4. What did the man try to convince he was NOT?**

A.Mad

B.Stupid

C.Evil

**5. What caused the old man to feel the head of the man in his room (in the opinion of the man)?**

A.The unperceived shadow

B.The beam of light

C.The creaking door

**5.How did the man describe the groan he heard?**

A.One of pain

B.One of grief

C.One of mortal terror

**6. How did the man feel when he opened the lantern and saw the old man's open eye (page 3)?**

A.Furious

B.Afraid

C.Calm

**7. How did the man kill the old man?**

A.By smothering him with a pillow

B.By choking him with his hands

C.By pulling the heavy bed over him

**8. Where did the man put the old man's body parts after he killed him?**

A.Under the planks in the floor

B.In the old man's garden

C.In the old man's closet

**9. When there was a knock at the door after the old man's death, the man opened the door with a light heart.  Why?**

A.He had thought up an alibi or cover story for what had happened

B.He had a weapon on him

C.He thought everything was cleaned up with no evidence of blood.

**10. How did the police find out the man had killed the old man?**

A.A neighbor said he saw the man kill the old man

B.The police found the body on their own as they searched the house

C.The man shrieked "I admit the deed!"

**Exercise 03**: fill in the gaps with the appropriate word

It is impossible to say how first the idea **………………….** my brain.  I loved the old man.  He had never **…………………..** me.  He had never given me **……………..** .  For his **……………..** I had no desire.  I think it was his **……………**!  Yes, it was this!  He had the eye of a bird, a **………………** -- a **……………..** blue eye, with a film over it.  **…………………………** it fell on me, my blood **………………..** cold; and so -- very slowly -- I **…………………….** my mind to take the **……………………..** of the old man, and **……………** myself of the eye forever.

Now this is the point.  You think that I am **……………….** .  Madmen know nothing.  But you should have seen me.  You should have seen how **……………………**  and carefully I went to work!

I was never **……………………..** to the old man than during the whole **…………………..**before I killed him.  And every night, late at night, I turned the **…………………..** of his door and opened it – oh, so gently!  And then, when I had made an **……………………** big enough for my head, I put in a dark **……………….** , all closed that no light **……………………….** , and then I stuck in my head.  I moved it slowly, very slowly, so that I might not **……………………….** with the old man’s sleep.  And then, when my head was well in the room, I undid the lantern just so much that a single thin **……………………..** of light fell upon the **…………….** eye.