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Shifting Reality

Open-Ended Response Questions

1. Do you think the narrator truly believed he was sane? Why or why not?
2. How does the story show that fear can change how people see reality?
3. If the narrator had not heard the heartbeat, do you think he would have confessed? Why or why not?
4. How does Edgar Allan Poe use suspense to make the reader question what is real and what is imagined?

