

Name _____

Dark Whispers

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Darkness makes it harder to see what is real, and silence makes small sounds, like the heartbeat, feel louder and scarier.
2. The narrator feels pride when he thinks he is clever, but his guilt takes over, making him panic and confess.
3. Some may say he was always mad, while others might argue that his obsession with the eye pushed him into madness.
4. Answers will vary but could include comparisons to haunted house stories, ghost tales, or other Poe stories.

