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Hidden Meanings

Short Answer Key

1. Pluto's disappearance makes the narrator feel guilty and nervous, as he knows he did something wrong.
2. The second cat's white mark seems to change into the shape of a noose, symbolizing punishment.
3. The narrator believes the second cat is haunting him because it constantly follows him and reminds him of Pluto.
4. Poe uses the second cat as a way to show that guilt follows the narrator everywhere, making him paranoid.
5. The two cats represent the narrator's guilt and his inability to escape from his own conscience.

