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Timeless Terror

Short Answer Key

1. The narrator's guilt makes him paranoid, causing him to believe the second cat is haunting him.
2. The story is still scary because it explores guilt, madness, and fear in a way that feels real.
3. The second black cat follows him everywhere, making him feel that he is being watched and judged.
4. The narrator believes the cat is haunting him, but it could also be his imagination due to guilt.
5. Poe slowly builds fear throughout the story, leading to the shocking moment when the second cat reveals the crime.

