Mythology and Folklore

GOTHIC FICTION

⊡ A genre that was extremely popular in the _____.

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⊡ Gothic fiction traditionally includes elements such as:

- _____
- _____
- Ghosts
- _____
- _____
- Darkness
- _____
- Gloomy castles
- _____
- _____
- Hereditary curses

⊡ Some of the characters of Gothic fiction include:

- _____
- Maniacs
- Magicians
- _____
- _____
- _____
- Demons
- _____
- The Beauty and the Beast
- Ghosts
- The Devil

Mary Shelley

⊡ _____

⊡ Became a bestseller in her time

⊡ *Frankenstein* was published anonymously in 1818, then with Shelley's name on it in 1923.

⊡ Unfortunately for Mary, this success was a single bright spot amid a series of tragedies:

- _____
- _____

- *Frankenstein* became a bestseller, and is considered the _____
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Bram Stoker

- _____
- _____
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- Stoker's early fiction was not of particularly high quality, but his fortunes changed in 1897 with the publication of *Dracula*, which ultimately became a part of pop culture

Vampire Legends

- Have been a part of popular folklore in many parts of the world since ancient times
- The Dracula family, which Stoker describes with pride in the early chapters of the novel, is based on a real fifteenth-century family
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  - _____
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FORMAT

- Both *Frankenstein* and *Dracula* are written as _____

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  - This type of writing adds a level of _____ to the story
  - *Dracula's* story-telling method of having "multiple narrators" telling the same tale from different perspectives _____

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- An interesting characteristic of the gothic novel is _____

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- Examples:
- _____ = sorrow, death
- Footsteps approaching = _____
- Ruins of buildings = _____
- Clanking chains = _____

Look for examples of metonymy in our readings!