

## Question Support

### LITERARY ANALYSIS

For questions 1–2, see page 951 of the Student Edition.

**Directions:** Answer each question.

- 3. Interpret Motives** Underline the phrase that explains why the speaker kills Porphyria?

- a. to preserve her love with him forever
- b. to get revenge against her former lovers
- c. to prove that their love is authentic

- 4. Draw Conclusions** Underline a choice in parentheses and complete the second sentence.

I think the speaker (does/does not) feel guilty about killing Porphyria. I draw this conclusion because \_\_\_\_\_

- 5. Make Inferences About Speakers** Complete these sentences.

The speaker of “My Last Duchess” thinks that he is \_\_\_\_\_

However, he is actually \_\_\_\_\_

The speaker of “Porphyria’s Lover” thinks that he is \_\_\_\_\_

However, he is actually \_\_\_\_\_

- 6. Analyze Dramatic Monologue** In a dramatic monologue, the reader may have to guess who the speaker is, who is being spoken to, and what the setting is. Write the name of the poem that includes each element.

- a. a cottage during a storm \_\_\_\_\_
- b. a duke who is arranging a marriage \_\_\_\_\_
- c. a man who has murdered his lover \_\_\_\_\_

- 7. Evaluate Style** Tell why “My Last Duchess” sounds like a conversation. \_\_\_\_\_

- 8. Synthesize Themes** Underline the idea that both poems support?

- a. Jealousy is stronger than love because negative emotions are powerful.
- b. People who are jealous can lessen their fears by sharing them with others.
- c. Jealousy can strike people who are overly passionate or possessive.