

“The Pit and the Pendulum” – Edgar Allan Poe

## Suspense

Complete the chart with the headings: *Suspenseful Moment*, *Dangerous Action*, *Pacing*, and *Foreshadowing*. Then search the text for any examples of these. When the pendulum starts to lower, is this suspenseful? It lowers very slowly as an example of pacing. Foreshadowing refers to a clue from the author about what is going to happen next. Is this present anywhere in the text?

<b>Suspenseful Moment</b>	<b>Dangerous Action</b>	<b>Pacing</b>	<b>Foreshadowing</b>