**As we read the story and stop periodically, annotate the text according to the prompts below.**

**CCR #1 - CONFLICT:** Poe begins his narrative with the conflict: “The thousand injuries of Fortunato I had borne as I best could; but when he ventured upon insult, I vowed revenge” (Poe 372).

* What does Montresor want?

What can be inferred from this word?

* On whom?
* For what?

**CCR #1:**

* How does Montresor bait Fortunato?
* Where are they going?

**CCR #2 – VERBAL IRONY:** Explain how the following excerpts are examples of verbal irony.

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| ***“’Come,’ I said, with decision, ‘we will go back; your health is precious…You are a man to be missed…We will go back; you will be ill, and I cannot be responsible’” (375).*** | ***“’I drink,’ he said, ‘to the buried that repose around us.’ ‘And I to your long life’” (375).*** |

**CCR #1: What, specifically, does Montresor do to Fortunato?**

**CCR #2: Irony**

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| **How is the following excerpt an example of dramatic irony?**  ***“The thousand injuries of Fortunato I had borne as I best could; but when he ventured upon insult, I vowed revenge” (Poe 372).*** | **How is the following excerpt an example of situational irony?**  ***“Enough,” [Fortunato] said; “the cough is a mere nothing; it will not kill me. I shall not die of a cough” (Poe 375).*** |

**CCR #3: Theme Quickwrite – Focus for Reading: Mood and Tone**

*What is the overall mood, or atmosphere, of this story? What tone does the author use to establish this mood? Think about the setting, the tone of the language, or the descriptions of Montresor’s thoughts, feelings, and actions? In a brief paragraph, use at least one quote from the narrative to support your response.*

**Use the ACEC (Answer, Cite, Explain/Elaborate/Expand, Conclude) acronym to formulate your response below.**

**CCR #4: Life Connection**

* Recall your own experiences with feelings of revenge. Do you think revenge is ever justified on a personal level, or is it better to forgive and forget?
* **Explain your answer** and connect it to the events in “The Cask of Amontillado.”