

**“The Masque of the Red Death”** by Edgar Allan Poe  
**Vocabulary List**

masque: costume ball or masquerade theme

august: imposing and magnificent

candelabrum: a large candlestick

piquancy: pleasantly sharp quality

arabesque: elaborately designed

disapprobation: disapproval

habiliments: clothing

phantasm: something apparently seen but having no physical reality

mummer: masked and costumed person who acts out pantomimes