

ANNABEL LEE
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It was many and many a year ago, _____

In a kingdom by the sea, _____

That a maiden there lived whom you may know _____

By the name of Annabel Lee; _____

And this maiden she lived with no other thought _____

Than to love and be loved by me. _____

I was a child and she was a child, _____

In this kingdom by the sea: _____

But we loved with a love that was more than love – _____

I and my Annabel Lee; _____

With a love that the winged seraphs of heaven _____

Coveted her and me. _____

And this was the reason that, long ago, _____

In this kingdom by the sea, _____

A wind blew out of a cloud, chilling _____

My beautiful Annabel Lee; _____

So that her high-born kinsmen came _____

And bore her away from me, _____

To shut her up in a sepulchre _____

In this kingdom by the sea. _____

The angels, not half so happy in heaven,
Went envying her and me -
Yes! that was the reason (as all men know,
In this kingdom by the sea)
That the wind came out of the cloud one night,
Chilling and killing my Annabel Lee.

But our love it was stronger by far than the love
Of those who were older than we -
Of many far wiser than we -
And neither the angels in heaven above,
Nor the demons down under the sea,
Can ever dissever my soul from the soul
Of the beautiful Annabel Lee;

For the moon never beams without bringing me dreams
Of the beautiful Annabel Lee;
And the stars never rise but I feel the bright eyes
Of the beautiful Annabel Lee;
And so, all the night-tide, I lie down by the side
Of my darling -my darling -my life and my bride,
In the sepulchre there by the sea -
In her tomb by the sounding sea.