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This timeline will give you an overview of Poe's life and works. In addition, you can get a sense of the times in which Poe lived, including what was happening in Baltimore, in Maryland, and throughout the country.

You can choose to look at information in any or all of 6 different "strands" or types of information, including:

1. Poe's Life
2. Poe's Literature
3. World Literature
4. Maryland History
5. Baltimore History
6. American History

You can customize the timeline to show you only the information you want to see! When the interactive opens, "Show All" at the top of the list is automatically selected with a red check mark. If you leave this as is, you will see all information available for every strand for the date you've selected.

However, if you prefer to see another combination of strands, simply make your choice(s) from the color-coded chart on the right hand side of the screen.

For example, if I wanted to compare Poe works with other works published at approximately the same time, I might select "Poe's Literature" and "World Literature".

Or, if I wanted to think about Poe's life in Baltimore and compare it to what was happening in Baltimore at the time, I would select "Poe's Life" and "Baltimore History".

How the Timeline Works

The timeline begins with 1809, the year Poe was born. This date is highlighted in a large gray box at the top of the screen. Under and to the right of the box, there is an arrow. Use this arrow to move forward in the timeline. As you move forward, another arrow will appear on the other side of the gray box, pointing left, allowing you to move backwards in time. The final date in the timeline is 1849, the year Poe died.

Use the vertical scroll bar (under the timeline, to the right of the text) to scroll through the information that appears under the dates.

As you read, you can choose to listen to a narrator read the text to you. Use the provided audio controls (under the timeline, just above the text on the left) to turn the audio on or off.