## The Tell-Tale Heart

## **Logical Deduction**

Below are the six possibilities of what the narrator may have heard at the end of "The Tell-Tale Heart." Eliminate all of the ones that we can logically deduce he couldn't have heard. For each one you eliminate, explain why it's not possible that that is what he heard and build your argument up with textual evidence to prove your logic is sound. Get it down to the only possible thing he could have heard and explain why that WAS what he heard, giving evidence from the text to support.

The old man's heartbeat	
-reasons	
-quotes/proof	
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His own heartbeat	
-reasons	
-quotes/proof	
His imagination	
-reasons	
-quotes/proof	

The police officers' heartbeats
-reasons
-quotes/proof
The neighbor's heartbeat -reasons
-quotes/proof
A watch -reasons
-quotes/proof