

# Gothic Literature



**Reading:**

The **Castle of Otranto** was  
written in **1764**.

It is the first **English-language Gothic** novel.

**Frankenstein** was written by **Mary Shelley**.

**Edgar Allen Poe** is known for **gothic** literature.

# **Conversation Exercise:**

**Name elements of spooky or gothic stories.**

- Castles**
- Darkness**
- Suspense**

**Describe this picture:**



## **Bonus Reading:**

**The Legend of Sleepy Hollow** is a short story by **Washington Irving**. The

protagonist is Ichabod Crane. He believes in the ghost stories he has heard and read. Brom Bones is Crane's jealous rival.

<https://www.britannica.com/topic/The-Legend-of-Sleepy-Hollow>

<https://www.britannica.com/biography/Edgar-Allan-Poe/Themes-technique-and-legacy>

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