

Gothic Literature

See *Fiction 100 Handbook* (p 1299)

- Gloomy castles—dungeons, subterranean passages, secret passages
- Cruel, lustful villain—innocent heroine
- Ghosts, mysterious disappearances, sensational, supernatural occurrences
- Mystery and horror to evoke terror
- More generally, atmosphere of gloom and terror, events that are bizarre, macabre, and violent--Psychological states, sexuality