

wishes. Enter G - whom she is called in to find the letter for her. Thinking that D - must have the letter either on his body or in his home. He has searched for the past three months and still found nothing.

Dupin takes an interest. He asks G to describe the letter, inside and out. Finally, G - leaves, resolves to search again. About a month later, he comes back. By this time he is completely frustrated and offers to pay fifty thousand francs of his own money to whomever can find that letter. Dupin tells how he found the letter.

He knows that D is smart enough. He concludes that D - probably hid the letter out in the open where G - would never think to look. So he visits D -'s house for friendly visit wearing green glasses to hide his eyes. He sees the letter, disguised as another letter, in an organiser box hanging from the fire place. The next day he returns with a copy of disguised letter. Dupin then creates a distraction in the street. Inside the fake letter, Dupin wrote a <sup>snide</sup> ~~fake~~ note to gloat about how he's outsmarted D -.

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## ① Summary of "The Purloined Letter" by Edgar Allan Poe

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The Purloined Letter is short story written by an American author, Edgar Allan Poe.

In this short the author tells us about a purloined/stolen letter. This letter belongs to the queen.

On a windy night in Paris, the narrator and C. August Dupin are smoking pipes in the dark, thinking their thoughts. Suddenly G —, the head of the Paris police, enters. Do they want to hear a mystery? Do they ever! So G — tells a story. A few months ago the royal lady (queen) gets a letter. She is in her sitting room reading it when another royal person (probably the king) walks in. She wants to hide the letter from him but she cannot hide it in the desk drawer. Instead she puts it on the desk. In his strolling dangerous minister D — notices who the letter is from. He notices that the queen is acting funny and realizes she wants to conceal the letter from the king. In front of everyone D — switches the queen's letter with one of his own and walks out. The queen cannot stop him because she is afraid. D — will show the letter to the king.

Then he is using the letter to make the queen grant some vague but no doubt nefarious political