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Come and listen you fellers, so young and so fine and

seek not your fortune in the dark dreary mine. It will form as a

habit and seep in your soul till the stream of your blood is as
black as ___ the coal. It's dark as ___ a dungeon and damp as the dew, where danger is double and pleasures are few Where the rain never falls and the sun never shines, it's dark as a dungeon way down in the mine.
It's a many a man
hope when I'm gone.

I've seen in my day, who lived just to labor
and the ages shall roll, my body will blacken

whole life away. Like a fiend with his dope
and a drunkard his wine, a man will have lust for the

heavenly home and pity the miner for the
1. lure of the mines, I Where it's dark as __________
digging my bones, 

2. dungeon and damp as the dew, where the danger is double and the

pleasures are few Where the rain never falls and the sun never shines,

_____ it's dark as a dungeon way down in the mines.