

<b><u>Due Date:</u></b>	<b>Wednesday 8th September</b>
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### **Homework 1: 'A Christmas Carol' – Context**

1. As a child, why was Dickens forced to temporarily give up his education?

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2. What job did Dickens have to do whilst his father was in prison and how did this experience affect him?

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3. When was the New Poor Law introduced?

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4. What was the impact of the change in law?

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5. Why did the Government make the workhouses such terrible places to live?

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6. Victorian Britain was a patriarchal society. What does this mean?

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7. Victorian society had a rigid class system. What does this mean?

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8. Which historical figure heavily influenced the traditions of Christmas that we follow to this day such as the Christmas tree?

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9. When was the first Christmas card produced and what did it depict? How is this reflected in the novel?

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## **Homework 2: 'A Christmas Carol' – Stave One**

1. Where is Scrooge in Stave 1? What sort of atmosphere is created?

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2. What temperature is linked to Scrooge and why?

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3. Which member of Scrooge's family comes to visit and how is he the antithesis of Scrooge?

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4. Which ghost appears in Stave 1 and what does it symbolise?

**Ghost:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Symbolises:** \_\_\_\_\_

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5. Why does Marley's Ghost appear before Scrooge?

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6. Complete this quotation: "secret and self-contained and as solitary as an \_\_\_\_\_"

7. What does this quotation tell us about Scrooge? Be detailed.

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8. Complete the quotation: "Oh! But he was a \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ hand at the grindstone, Scrooge!"

9. What does this quotation tell us about Scrooge?

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10. Complete the quotation: A \_\_\_\_\_, wrenching, grasping, scraping, clutching, \_\_\_\_\_ old sinner."

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### **Homework 3: 'A Christmas Carol' - Stave Two**

1. Which spirit visits Scrooge in Stave 2 and what is it an allegory for?

**Ghost:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Allegory:** \_\_\_\_\_

2. Where does the ghost take Scrooge to begin with? What do we learn from this visit?

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3. Find and write down a quotation that depicts Scrooge's isolation imposed by his father?

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4. We then see Scrooge at Fezziwig's party. What does Fezziwig think of Christmas?

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5. Find and write down a quotation which supports this.

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6. In what ways is Fezziwig the antithesis of the adult Scrooge we have seen in Stave 1?

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8. Explain what Belle means when she says: “another idol has displaced me...a golden one”?

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9. In the next section of Scrooge’s montage, Belle’s home is described as, “a room, not very large or handsome, but full of comfort” with a “winter fire”. How does this contrast with Scrooge’s home in Stave 1?

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10. Why is Belle’s married life an important image for Scrooge to see?

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### **Homework 4: 'A Christmas Carol' - Stave Three**

1. Which ghost visits Scrooge in Stave 3 and what is it an allegory for?

**Ghost:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Allegory:** \_\_\_\_\_

2. What does Scrooge see at the Cratchit home that makes him feel guilty?

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3. Who else does Scrooge see celebrating Christmas? How does this make him feel?

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4. What does the ghost show Scrooge at the end of his visit? What do they symbolise?

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5. When Scrooge asks is there nothing that can be done for such children, what does the ghost reply and why is this significant?

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6. "Spirit, conduct me where you will. I went forth last night...and I learned a lesson which is working now."  
What does this quotation reveal about how Scrooge's character is changing?

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7. Complete the quotation: "Tonight if you have aught to teach me, let me \_\_\_\_\_  
by it".

8. What does this quotation tell us about Scrooge's change so far?

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9. Complete the quotation: "Scrooge \_\_\_\_\_ to hear his own  
words".

10. What does this quotation tell us about Scrooge's change so far?

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### **Homework 5: 'A Christmas Carol' – Stave Four**

1. How does Scrooge behave when he sees the Ghost of Christmas Yet to Come?

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2. Find a quote that best reflects this and write it down.

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3. What does this ghost resemble?

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4. What does Scrooge see at the London Stock Exchange?

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5. What does Scrooge see in the underbelly of London?

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6. What is Scrooge shown at the Cratchit house?

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7. What is the final thing that Scrooge is shown by the Ghost of Christmas Yet to Come?

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8. How does Scrooge react?

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9. Find a quotation that best reflects this and write it down.

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10. Scrooge is shown two contrasting reactions to someone's death. What is Dickens' message?

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## **Homework 6: 'A Christmas Carol' – Stave Five**

1. Complete the table below highlighting how Scrooge is the antithesis of his former self in Stave 5:

<b>Stave 1</b>	<b>Stave 5</b>
Scrooge is isolated and rejects Fred's invitation.	Scrooge joins Fred and celebrates Christmas with him.
Scrooge has no concern for the poor and rudely rejects the gentlemen's request for a charitable donation.	
Scrooge is a miserly employer who equates paying Bob Cratchit his wages on Christmas Day to picking pockets.	
Scrooge hates Christmas. "Bah humbug."	
Scrooge keeps the office cold because he is so miserly.	

2. Which of the actions above (those you have added to the table) shows that Scrooge has embraced family values?

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3. Read the summary of Stave 5 again. What movements and actions also show us that Scrooge has changed?

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4. Find and write down a quotation that shows Scrooge is feeling excited.

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5. Find and write down a quotation that suggests Scrooge is feeling charitable.

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6. Find and write down a quotation that suggests Scrooge is a more benevolent employer.

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## **Homework 7: 'A Christmas Carol' – Quotation Revision**

**Task:** Using your Knowledge Organisers, complete the quotation and indicate what Stave the quotation belongs to.

1. Stave \_\_\_\_: “\_\_\_\_\_ heat and cold had little influence on Scrooge.”
  
2. Stave \_\_\_\_: “I wear the chain I \_\_\_\_\_ in life...I made it link by links, and yard by yard”
  
3. Stave \_\_\_\_: “\_\_\_\_\_ visitor”
  
4. Stave \_\_\_\_: “Rise! And \_\_\_\_\_ with me!”
  
5. Stave \_\_\_\_: ““a \_\_\_\_\_ child, neglected by his friends, is left there still”
  
6. Stave \_\_\_\_: “Scrooge entered \_\_\_\_\_”
  
7. Stave \_\_\_\_: “Yo ho, my boys! No more work \_\_\_\_\_”
  
8. Stave \_\_\_\_: “Tonight if you have aught to \_\_\_\_\_ me, let me profit by it”
  
9. Stave \_\_\_\_: “Scrooge bent down upon his \_\_\_\_\_”
  
10. Stave \_\_\_\_: “a solemn \_\_\_\_\_, draped and hooded, coming like a mist”

11. Stave \_\_\_\_: "Mrs Cratchit...\_\_\_\_\_ out but poorly in a twice-turned gown,  
but brave in ribbons, which are cheap"

12. Stave \_\_\_\_: "there were more \_\_\_\_\_ there than Scrooge...could count"