

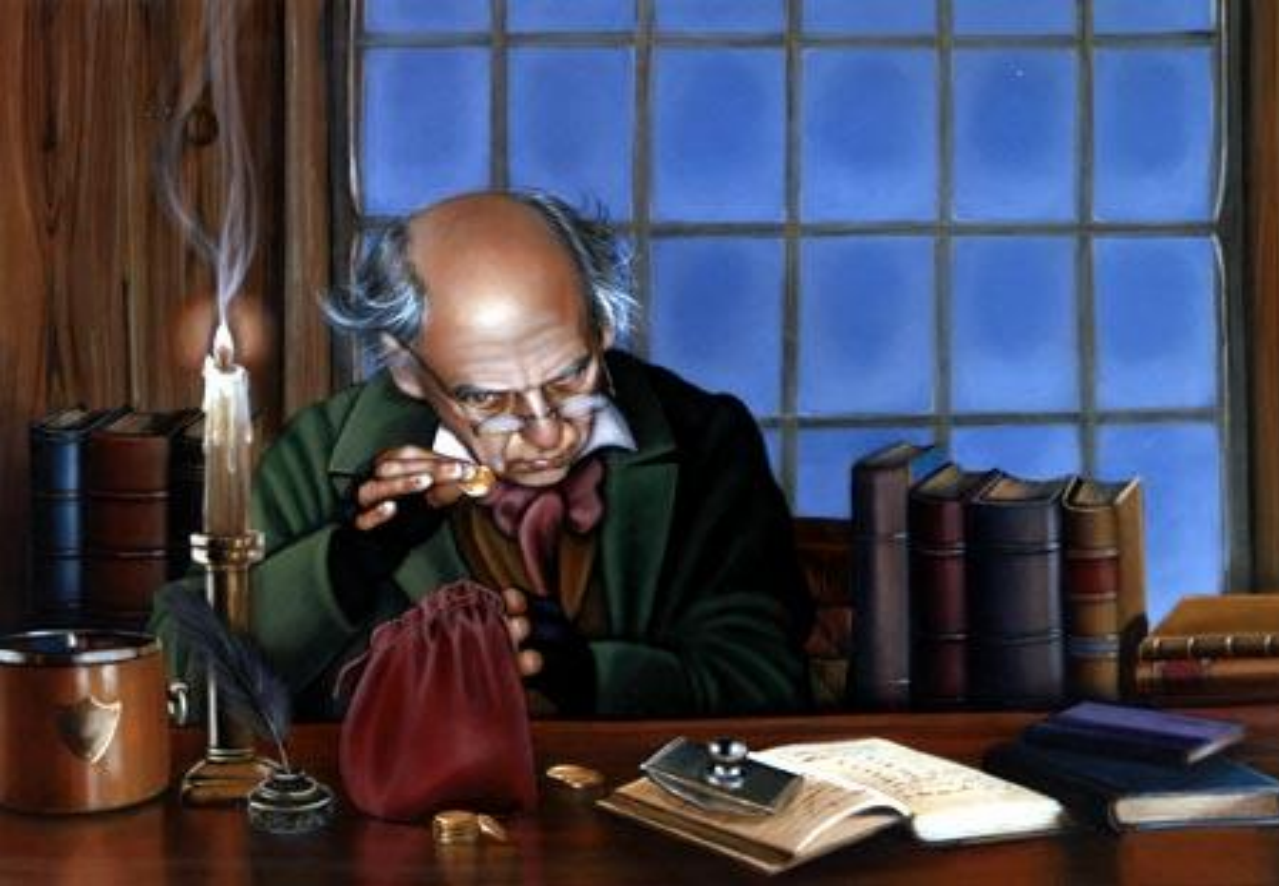


*A
Christmas
Carol*

*By Charles
Dickens*

- Scrooge was somebody who valued money not family and love
- He treated people with disrespect and didn't care for others, especially the poor and certainly wouldn't give money to carol singers at Christmas time





EBENEZER SCROOGE

“OH! But he was a tight-fisted hand at the grindstone, was Scrooge! A squeezing, wrenching, grasping, clutching, covetous old sinner! The cold within him froze his old features, nipped his pointy nose, shrivelled his cheek, stiffened his gait; made his eyes red, his thin lips blue.”

- Bob Cratchit was Scrooge's clerk – a good man
- Scrooge paid him a very low wage
- His wage wasn't really enough to properly feed his big family
- Bob's youngest child Tiny Tim was a cripple who was frail and light



The Visits of the Ghosts

- Scrooge was haunted by Jacob Marley (pictured), his deceased business partner
- The ghost warned him he would be visited by another three spirits
- The first was the Ghost of Christmas Past
- Scrooge was reminded of what he might have had
- A family, good times



THE GHOST OF CHRISTMAS PRESENT



- They visit the Cratchit family to show that you can be happy *and* poor
- Makes Scrooge feel guilty for paying him poorly
- They meet Ignorance and Want – a boy and girl symbolising greed and poverty in the cities
- People did not have many kind words to say about Scrooge

The Ghost of Christmas Yet to Come



- *Scrooge has died a lonely, miserable man and buried in a dark, gloomy, graveyard*
- *Tiny Tim has also died*
- *Scrooge says: “I will honour Christmas in my heart, try to keep it all the year. I will live in the Past, Present and the Future. The spirits of all three will strive within me.”*

Conclusion

- **Scrooge changes his ways!**
- **Tiny Tim lives!**
- **Everybody is amazed at Scrooge's transformation!**
- **Scrooge was true to his word – He spread happiness not only at Christmas but all year round!**

