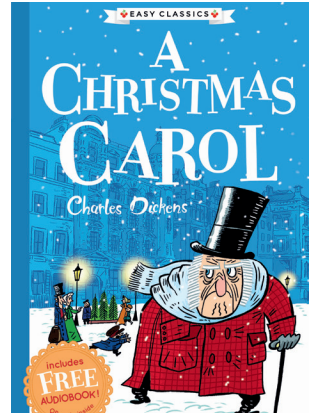


Title:

A Christmas Carol

Author:

Charles Dickens



Before Reading

- Read the book description aloud. What impression do you get of Scrooge?
- Discuss:
 - What does it mean to have a 'cold heart'?
 - What do you think the ghosts want to show him?

During Reading

- Pause at key moments and ask:
 - Why do you think Scrooge behaves the way he does?
 - What does he learn from the ghosts?
 - How do his feelings change during the journey?

After Reading

Discussion questions

- What does it mean to 'be cold'?
- Why do you think Scrooge starts to want to change?
- Do you think people can truly change?

Activities

1. Draw Scrooge Before and After

- Create two pictures: one of Scrooge with his cold heart, and one after meeting the ghosts.
- Write one word by each picture that describes him.

2. My Own Ghost

- Imagine a ghost would take you on a journey.
- Write or draw: where would you go, and what would you learn?

3. A Diary Entry

- Write a diary entry from Scrooge after he meets the first ghost.
- How does he think about himself then?

4. A New Ending

- Invent your own ending: What would happen if Scrooge didn't listen to the ghosts?