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## A Christmas Carol ACT I

1. List details about the setting (time and place) of the play:
  
2. Describe Ebenezer Scrooge's personality –
  
3. Who is Marley and what is his role in the play?
  
4. How does having a ghost as a narrator help move the play along?
  
5. What are some reasons Scrooge gives for hating Christmas?
  
6. A. What is being suggested by the dialogue in scene two between Scrooge and his nephew when they make the following statements? What is each character's opinion about Christmas?  

**Scrooge:** Merry Christmas? What right do you have to be merry? What reason have you to be merry? You're poor enough!

**Nephew:** What right have you to be dismal? What right have you to be morose (miserable)? You're rich enough!

**Scrooge:**

**Nephew:**
  
- B. Do you feel they are correct in their assumptions about money and happiness/cheerfulness? Explain.
  
7. What does his nephew, Fred, say Christmas has done for him? How does this differ from Scrooge's view of Christmas?

8. Why do you think Scrooge does not want to attend the Christmas dinner with his nephew's family?
  
9. What are the thin and portly do-gooders asking for?
  
10. What is the reason that Scrooge gives for not giving them money?
  
11. What does Cratchit give to the do-gooders as they leave?
  
12. How does Scrooge treat his clerk, Bob? List specific examples to support your answer.
  
13. Why do you think Bob Cratchit is so kind to Scrooge?
  
14. List some ways Marley makes his presence known to Scrooge at the beginning of Scene 3:
  
15. Why is Marley condemned to wander the earth with a heavy chain about him?

16. What message is Marley delivering to Scrooge?
17. When can Scrooge expect his visits from the ghosts?
18. Who is the first ghost to visit Scrooge?
19. Describe the appearance of this ghost. Why would it have this appearance?
20. Where is Scrooge first taken by the ghost?
21. What affect does this have on Scrooge?
22. Who is responsible for allowing Scrooge to come home from school over Christmas?
23. What do we learn about Scrooge's father in this scene?
24. Describe Fans personality giving examples from the text.
25. How did Scrooge feel about Fan?
26. Explain what happened to her.
27. What is the second location the ghost shows to Scrooge?
28. Describe Scrooge's former apprentice master, Fezziwig and how he treated his employees?
29. What point do you think the ghost is making in showing Scrooge his former apprenticeship?
30. Explain what happens in the last scene shown to Scrooge by Past.
31. Why would Past choose this memory to show to Scrooge?