

Plot Summary: Stave 1

A _____, old Ebenezer _____ sits in his office on a cold Christmas _____. His clerk, Bob _____, shivers because Scrooge refuses to spend _____ on coals for a fire. Scrooge's nephew, _____, pays his uncle a visit and invites him to his annual _____ party. Scrooge reacts with bitterness and venom, spitting out an angry " _____ " in response to his nephew's "Merry Christmas!"

Two _____ gentlemen also drop by and ask Scrooge to donate some money to their _____. He refuses asking them if the " _____ are still open?", if so the _____ should go there.

Later that evening, after returning to his dark, cold apartment, Scrooge receives visitation from the ghost of _____. Marley's punishment for his _____ life is his spirit has been condemned to wander the Earth weighted down with heavy chains. Marley hopes to _____ Scrooge from sharing the same fate. Marley informs Scrooge that three _____ will visit him during each of the next three nights. After the Marley _____, Scrooge collapses into a deep _____.

prisons	Jacob Marley	Bah! Humbug!	Scrooge	charity		
portly	spirits	Fred	sleep	Christmas	money	disappears
greedy	save	Eve	miserly	poor	Cratchit	

Plot Summary: Stave 2

Scrooge meets the Ghost of Christmas Past. It symbolises _____ as Scrooge must relive his past to reconnect with his former, _____ self. First, Scrooge watches himself as a lonely child in school. He cries for himself and the reader feels _____ and begins to understand how he came to be so evil.

Scrooge takes the first step on the road to _____ by regretting not giving money to a child who sung him a Christmas carol. He then watches his sister, _____, and we learn she dies – Scrooge feels guilty about his nephew, _____.

Scrooge watches _____ throw a party for his workers. Scrooge begins to enjoy himself and learns that living a _____ is harmful and that being disconnected from people doesn't make life better.

Finally, Scrooge watches the break-up of his _____ with Belle: he becomes distressed as he is forced to see how a “_____” has become his obsession (i.e. money). Scrooge sits alone and realises he hasn’t had a friend since _____ and the ghost disappears; Scrooge falls into a deep sleep.

memory	salvation	solitary life	Fezziwig	golden idol
Marley	engagement		innocent	Little Fan
	sympathy	solitary life		

Plot Summary: Stave 3

Scrooge meets the Ghost of Christmas Present. He symbolises _____. He sits on a throne of food and wear a _____ with no sword (which symbolises peace). The ghost shows Scrooge the Christmas of other people: he waves his torch to spread the Christmas Spirit, focusing on poor people as they “_____”.

They visit the Cratchit family, who offer the reader an idealised version of the Christmas for the poor. They wear “_____” to celebrate the day and work as a team to create their meagre Christmas dinner. They _____ Scrooge, despite the fact that he underpays Bob and treats him poorly. Scrooge becomes upset for Tiny Tim when the ghost reveals he will die.

At Fred’s Christmas party, everyone enjoys themselves. The Cratchit family represents the poor and Fred’s party represents the _____. They make fun of Scrooge and his behaviour. Fred says his wealth is of no use as he “_____”.

The ghost shows Scrooge _____: they are personified problems of society. Scrooge is horrified and asked if they can be helped, but the ghost uses his own words to shame him: “_____” The ghost dies.

Ribbons	toast	middle classes	Ignorance and Want	scabbard
	need most		generosity and goodwill	
doesn’t do any good with it			Are there no prisons? Are there no workhouses?	

Plot Summary: Stave 4

Scrooge meets the Ghost of Christmas Yet to Come: he looks like the _____ (symbolising death). The ghost doesn't speak; Scrooge does all the talking. This shows Scrooge's _____ as he has learnt lessons from the other ghosts.

The ghost shows us Scrooge's business acquaintances (representing Ignorance in society). They are uninterested in what has happened to Scrooge and are only interested in a _____. Like Marley, Scrooge's funeral is "_____".

The ghost then takes Scrooge to a _____ where people have plundered his house and body and are selling his possessions (representing Want in society). _____, Scrooge's employee, says that the theft is a "_____ " on him.

Next we meet some debtors of Scrooge who are relieved he has died. Scrooge also learns that _____ has died. He is forced to witness the pain and suffering of _____, who tries to remain strong for his family's sake.

Finally, the ghost shows Scrooge his grave. Scrooge repents and admits he is a changed man by declaring "I'm not the man I was" and "_____".

Grim Reaper	cheap	Mrs Dilber	Bob	Tiny Tim
transformation	free meal	I will honour Christmas in my heart		
	judgement	pawn shop		

Plot Summary: Stave 5

Scrooge awakens a new man: he sets about making amends. He is "_____ " and "_____ ". He orders a Christmas turkey to be sent to the Cratchit family and gives money to the poor through the Portly Gentleman (paralleling Stave 1).

Scrooge goes to _____ (like the Cratchit family in Stave 3) and spends Christmas with Fred (paralleling Stave 1).

Finally, Scrooge pretends to be his old, miserable self with Bob but then _____. He orders a _____ to be lit in the Counting House (symbolising the Christmas Spirit that has filled his heart). He becomes a second father to _____.

merry as a schoolboy	Tiny Tim	church
fire	light as a feather	raises his wages