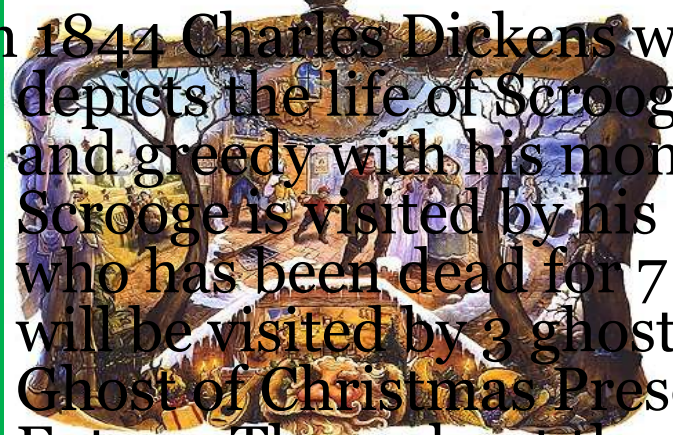


# A Christmas Carol WebQuest



Seventh Grade Students

# Introduction

An illustration showing Scrooge, a miserly old man, being visited by the Ghost of Christmas Past. The scene is set in a dark, atmospheric room with a large, ornate chandelier. The ghost is depicted as a spectral figure, and the overall mood is somber and reflective.

In 1844 Charles Dickens wrote *A Christmas Carol*, which depicts the life of Scrooge, a miserly old man who is selfish and greedy with his money. In the beginning of the play, Scrooge is visited by his old business partner's Jacob Marley, who has been dead for 7 years. Marley warns Scrooge that he will be visited by 3 ghosts: The Ghost of Christmas Past, The Ghost of Christmas Present and the Ghost of Christmas Future. Throughout the play, each ghost makes Scrooge aware of the mistakes that he has made and will make. In the end, Scrooge decides to change his dreadful ways and become a kind and generous man. It is now your chance to become directly involved in Dickens' seasonal tale about personal choices and family values.

Go ahead and get involved.

# Process

Now that your class has completed reading *A Christmas Carol* by Charles Dickens you are going to embark on a journey to ensure that Scrooge does not revert to his miserly ways. In order to ensure this, you will work both individually and together as a team. Follow these steps and you will help keep Scrooge from ever becoming a misanthrope again.

1. Each member of your group will assume a role as one of the ghosts from *A Christmas Carol*. The ghostly assignments will go as follows:

Jacob Marley will be played by the youngest group member

Future will be played by the second youngest group member

Present will be played by the second oldest group member

Past will be played by the oldest group member



2. Each group member will then go to the "Task" section of this WebQuest and then click on their respective ghost. They are then to complete all three tasks individually.
3. Once each ghost has completed all of their tasks, the group will then go the link entitled "Evaluation" and complete this task as a group.
4. Once the four specters that visited Scrooge complete these tasks, Mr. Scrooge will have a constant reminder of the path that he took to become the new man that he is.

**You have a lot of work ahead of you to help Scrooge. You better get started!**

# Resources

You will need the following items to complete this WebQuest:

- Computer
  - Internet Explorer
  - *A Christmas Carol* from your textbook
  - Paper
  - Pen
  - Pencil
  - Drawing Paper or Construction Paper
  - Art Supplies (any of your choice)
  - Clear Plastic Report Covers (for binding) or neatly stapling
  - Envelopes (you can make them out of computer paper)
  - Anything else you want to decorate your box with (ribbon, pictures, etc.)
  - A positive attitude!!
- Do you have everything you need? If so, you better get moving!

# Task



Welcome to the Ghost Lounge, all you wonderful Apparitions!!! Just click on your name below to find out what you have to do to ensure that Scrooge does not forget everything that he learned on his Journey!

Jacob Marley    Past    Present    Future

# Jacob Marley



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order to complete

this activity, you will need to look at the pictures others have taken of you on the Internet.

2. Write a journal that has three entries about your experiences with Scrooge. This journal should take place during the story. In your journal, include the following information:
  - Date and why did you help Scrooge out?
  - Date and How do you think he is handling the information that you gave him?
  - Date and Do you think that what you are showing him will help, or will he revert back to his old ways?
3. Write a friendly letter to Scrooge, stating that you are proud of him for the progress that he has made. Give him advice for the future and remind him of how far he has come. You may reference the website below to get the proper format of a friendly letter.

[Friendly Letter Format](#)

[Sample Friendly Letter](#)

Once you are done, report back to your fellow ghosts. As soon as everyone is completed, click on the link entitled "Evaluation" and follow the instructions.

Jacob Marley Past Present Future

# Past



Welcome to your task list, Past. In order to ensure that Mr. Scrooge does not revert to his old ways, you must complete the following activities:

1. Draw a picture of yourself. You may use any materials that you want, including markers, crayons, colored pencils or anything else you can think of. In order to complete this activity, you will need to look at the pictures others have taken of you on the Internet.
2. Write a journal that has three entries about your experiences with Scrooge. This journal should take place during the story. In your journal, include the following information:
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Jacob Marley   Past   Present   Future

# Present



3. In order to ensure that Mr. Scrooge does not revert to his old ways, you must complete the following activities:

You may use any materials that you want, including markers, crayons, colored pencils, etc. You can think of. In order to complete this activity, you will need to look at the following website on the internet.

2. Write a journal that has three entries about your experiences with Scrooge. This journal should take place during the story. In your journal, include the following information:
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Jacob Marley   Past   Present   Future



# Future



ask list, Future. In order to ensure that Mr. Scrooge does not revert to his old ways, you must complete the following activities:

1. Write a list of things you would like to do for yourself. You may use any materials that you want, including markers, pencils or anything else you can think of. In order to complete this activity, you will need to look at the pictures others have taken of you on the Internet.

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# Conclusion

Congratulations, you have not only helped Mr. Scrooge change his ways, you have also ensured that he will not revert back to his old ways. By giving him this keepsake, he will forever be able to remember the journey that you took him on, and that is something that he will value for the rest of his life.

# Evaluation



- Now that you all have finished all of your individual tasks, you must now complete a group project to finish your goal. You must make Scrooge a Christmas Carol Treasure Chest and send it to him as a Christmas Present. Follow these steps to complete the treasure chest:
1. Bind all four ghost pictures together in a picture book. Scrooge will then be able to look at the book at any time in order to remember his four new friends. The photo album should have a cover and a table of contents.
  2. Bind all four of the your journals together as a keepsake for Scrooge to be able to remember his journey with each of you. Again, make sure there is a cover page on the journal.
  3. Each ghost should put their letter inside of an envelope and address it to Scrooge.
  4. All of the above projects are then to be put into a box, sealed up and addressed to this address:  
Ebenezer Scrooge  
12 Miser Lane  
London, England
- The Box should then be decorated, as it is a Christmas Present, and given to Mr. Bendele so it can be mailed off to Mr. Scrooge.
  - Your final box will be graded according to the rubric that is found under the Teacher Notes link.

# Teacher Notes



- Click here to view the [Rubric](#) needed to grade the final project
- Click here to view the format for the [Friendly Letter Format](#) and [Sample Friendly Letter](#)(also located on ghost pages.)
- See [Citation page](#) for related websites that can be used.

# Citations

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