

A Christmas Carol – Study Guide Stave 3

Directions: Type answers in MLA format. Title assignment CC Stave 3 Study Guide.

Vocabulary

Directions: Write a definition for each term as it relates to the context of the book.

Prodigiously (71)

Facetious (75)

Bilious (76)

Artifice (74)

Apoplectic (75)

Officious (79)

Opulence (75)

Credulity (80)

Questions

Directions: Write a brief answer to each question as you read the book. Support your answers with material from the text such as specific details, examples, and quotes. All answers must be a minimum of 3 complete sentences!

1. Describe the Cratchit family Christmas celebration. (Who is there? What are they doing? How do they feel? etc.)
2. What primary emotion does Fred feel toward his Uncle Scrooge? Why? Do you agree with Fred? Why or why not?
3. The Ghost of Christmas Present briefly takes Scrooge to see a wide variety of Christmas scenes: a miner's family on the moor, two men in a lighthouse, sailors on a ship, an almshouse, a hospital, a jail, etc. Why do you think the spirit does this? What might all of these places have in common that is important for Scrooge to understand?
4. The Ghost of Christmas Present reveals a symbolic boy and girl hidden in the folds of his robe named Ignorance and Want. Do these children represent people who are "dumb and greedy" or people who are "uneducated and poor"? How do you know?
5. Two times the Ghost of Christmas Present quotes Scrooge's own words back to him. (See pgs. 82 & 94). Why does the spirit do this? What is he trying to teach Scrooge?

Rubric:

MLA: 5 pts

Definitions: 5 pts each

Questions: 10 pts each

(total out of 95)