

## A Christmas Carol Extension Homework Tasks



Each week, your class teacher will set you some 'A Christmas Carol' reading to do at home. Your class teacher will quiz you in class to make sure that you have completed and understood the reading.

If you would like to do more, then here are some weekly extension tasks! They are completely optional.

## Week 1

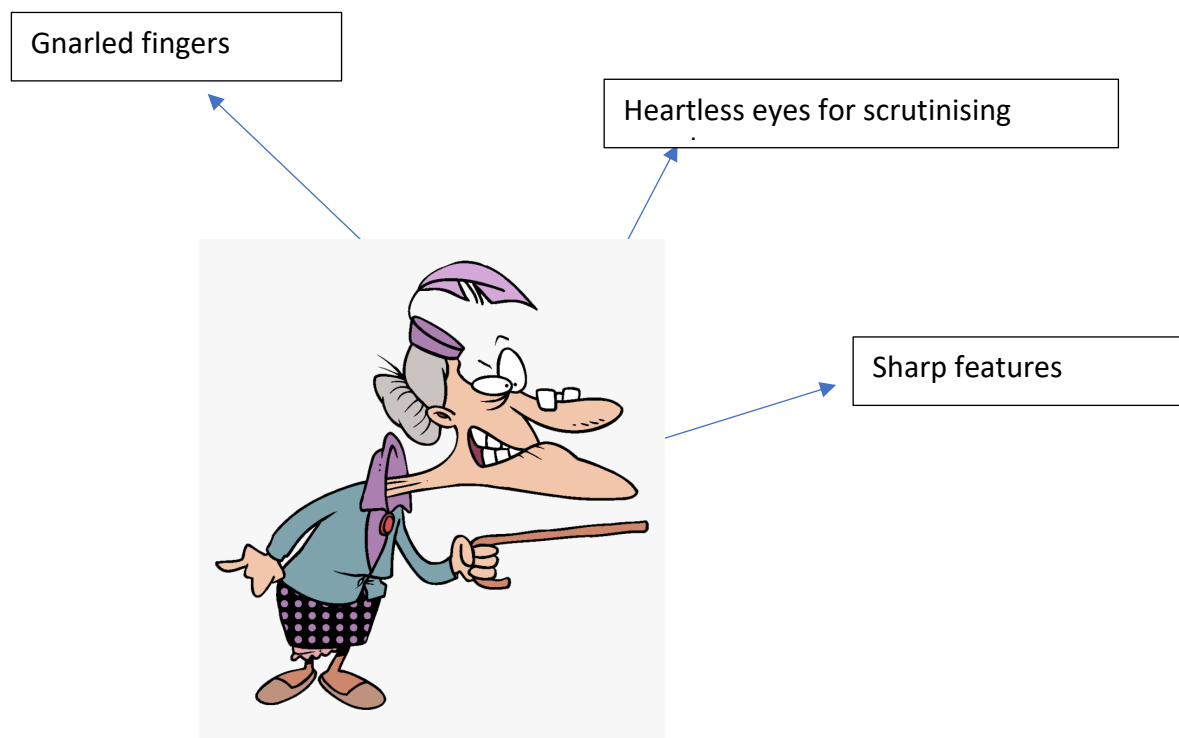
Design your own cold and cruel character and then write a description of them.

Step 1: Draw your character

Step 2: Label their features

Step 3: Write a descriptive paragraph.

For example:



The seemingly innocent old lady left nothing but misery in her wake. Scrutinising your every move, she would point her long, gnarled fingers and order you to make her a cup of tea with not a hint of a please or thank you. Her sharp and angular features matched her icy demeanour and her wicked cackle could be heard for miles.

## Week 2

Write a script between Scrooge and Bob Cratchit at this point in the story:



Remember, if it is a script you will also include stage directions which give more information about how the character is speaking and moving.

For example:

Bob Cratchit: (nervously) Sir, as this is a time of family, charity and merriment...

Scrooge: (pointing his finger) No! Don't even think about asking for Christmas off. The paper work won't complete itself, will it?

### Week 3

**Task:** Read the British Library article on the origins of A Christmas Carol.

<https://www.bl.uk/romantics-and-victorians/articles/the-origins-of-a-christmas-carol>

### Week 4

Write down your impressions of the following characters. You might like to just bullet point your ideas.

Scrooge



-hostile

Fezziwig



- jolly

Cratchit



-humble

Fred



-warm

### Week 5

Write a diary entry from the perspective of a character of your choice.

## Week 6

Write a short story that is inspired by any of the themes that are present in 'A Christmas Carol'. The story can be about anything you like, but it should be inspired by one of the following themes:

FAMILY  
CHRISTMAS  
REDEMPTION  
GHOSTS  
CHILDREN  
MEMORY  
COMPASSION

## Week 7

Write a book review of 'A Christmas Carol'. Would you recommend this book to others?

Here are some tips on how to write a review:

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/tips-and-advice/writing-tips/writing-tips-for-teens/how-to-write-a-book-review/#!?q=&sortOption=MostRecent&pageNo=1>