

## A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens

In your journal, answer the following prompts in complete grammatically correct sentences. Please write on every other line. Use blue or black ink or pencil. If you are typing, use Arial or Times New Roman, font size 12.

### **Beginning-Assignments - Read the information about Charles Dickens: A Biographical Sketch p.97-99**

1. Based on your reading, write 10 things you know about the author.

#### **Read the Preface.**

2. What is the tone of the preface?
3. What does the author say is the purpose of the book?

#### **Body-Assignments**

For each Stave, write out the **title**, a **summary that includes what characters do and what character traits that reveals and what topic and or theme Dickens is trying to convey. Is there a connection to Dickens' life?** Give at least three examples from the text and its literary term and at least **one question, one observation, and one comment** on the reading.

#### **End- Assignments**

At the end of the book, in at least a five paragraph essay, discuss each of the following bullets and how they helped communicate the life lessons that have made A Christmas Carol a classic novel:

- explain how the ten things you wrote about the author **were or were not** reflected in the novel
- comment on the tone you noticed in the preface and how it **did or did not** influence the theme
- prove that the book **did or did not** achieve Charles Dickens' stated purpose

Would you recommend this book to someone else to read? **Why or why not?**

This will be graded.

There will be an Accelerated Reader test.