

The Characters of *A Christmas Carol*Sensory-Friendly Performance

Photo of Tom Story and Maria Egler by Carol Rosegg.



Narrators

The Narrators introduce other characters and describe the scene to help tell the story of A Christmas Carol.



Photo of Maria Egler by Carol Rosegg.

Mrs. Dilber

Scrooge's housekeeper. She is upbeat but frustrated by Scrooge.



Photo of Craig Wallace by Carol Rosegg.

Ebenezer Scrooge

A selfish, bitter, cold-hearted man who hates Christmas. He values money above everything else. He thinks kindness and charity are a waste of time and money.



Photo of Jonathan Atkinson by Carol Rosegg.

Bob Cratchit

A kind, hardworking man. He has worked for Scrooge for many years. Bob Cratchit makes barely enough money to support his large family. He loves his family, especially his youngest child, Tiny Tim, very much.



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Fred

Scrooge's nephew and only family member. He is jolly and kind and loves Christmas. Fred's mother, Fan, was Scrooge's beloved sister. Fan died soon after Fred was born. Scrooge has never been close with Fred.



 $Photo\ of\ Michael\ Bunce\ and\ Chris\ Stinson\ by\ Carol\ Rosegg.$

Solicitors

Two men who ask for holiday donations for the poor. People often give money to charities during the holiday season.



Photo of Justine "Icy" Moral, Joe Mallon and Rayanne Gonzales by Carol Rosegg.

Doll Vendor, Clock Vendor, Fruit Vendor

Each of these people are trying to sell goods to the people of London—antique dolls, fruits and nuts for a feast, or new inventions and technology. They each owe Scrooge a lot of money. Instead of repaying him on Christmas Eve, they each give him one of their goods— a special doll, a jug of cider and a steam-powered clock.



A woman with a baby who begs for money in the street.



Photo of Kristen Garaffo by Carol Rosegg.



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Undertaker

A person whose job is to prepare dead bodies for funeral and burial.



Photo of Stephen F. Schmidt by Carol Rosegg.

Ghost of Jacob Marley

Jacob Marley was Scrooge's friend and business partner. He died seven years ago on Christmas Eve. Marley cared only about money, like Scrooge. He visits Scrooge to warn him. Marley frightens Scrooge.



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Spirit of Christmas Past

A young, bright spirit. She is not frightening. She represents every Christmas that has happened in the past. She shows Scrooge moments from his childhood and from his young adulthood. She makes Scrooge remember things he would prefer to forget.



Photo of Chris Stinson by Carol Rosegg.

Boy Scrooge

Ebenezer Scrooge as a child. He has been sent to boarding school and misses his family. He does not have very many friends. This character is played by an adult pretending to be a child.



Photo of Awa Sal Secka by Carol Rosegg.

Fan

Scrooge's beloved sister. She is always kind and loving to Scrooge and everyone around her. This character is played by an adult pretending to be a child.



Photo of Tom Story by Carol Rosegg.

Mr. Fezziwig

Mr. Fezziwig is Scrooge's first employer. He is joyful, good businessman who treats his workers well. Mr. Fezziwig throws a wonderful Christmas party every year.



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Young Scrooge

Ebenezer Scrooge as a young man. He is poor, but determined. He works very hard. He wants to become successful and rich, even at the cost of his friendships.



Photo of Emily Zickler by Carol Rosegg.

Belle

A beautiful young woman whom Scrooge loves very much. When they first met, they were both poor and imagined building a life together. Belle does not value money in the same way that Scrooge does, and it comes between them.



Photo of Rayanne Gonzales by Carol Rosegg

Spirit of Christmas Present

A loud, joyful spirit who represents the current Christmas. She celebrates living in the moment. She shows Scrooge the current Christmas Day and how other people celebrate it.



Photo of Yesenia Iglesias by Carol Rosegg.

Mrs. Cratchit

Bob Cratchit's wife and mother of their four children. She is hard-working and loves her family with all of her heart. It makes her angry to see any of them treated badly.



Photo of Stephen F. Schmidt, Justine "Icy" Moral and Emily Zickler by Carol Rosegg.

Peter, Belinda and Martha

The oldest three Cratchit children. Even though Martha is still a child, she already has her first job—an apprentice to a hatmaker. Belinda and Peter are still too young to have jobs, but they help their mother at home. These characters are played by adults pretending to be children.



Photo of Tom Story by Carol Rosegg.

Tiny Tim

Tiny Tim has a disability, which makes him very weak. In this time in history, people with disabilities were often called "cripples" and you will hear that word used to describe Tiny Tim. Today the word "cripple" is a negative word to use for a disability. This character is played by an adult pretending to be a child.



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Mrs. Fred, Mrs. Fred's Sister and Topper

Fred's wife and Christmas guests. Mrs. Fred and Fred love each other very much, and they are happy together. They like to play games at parties.



Photo of Yesenia Iglesias and Jonathan Atkinson by Carol Rosegg.

Ignorance and Want

Two characters who represent the worst of humanity. Ignorance represents not knowing or caring about other people around you. Want represents the poor, the hungry and the suffering people in the world. The Spirit of Christmas Present shows them to Scrooge.



Photo of Joe Mallon by Carol Rosegg.

Spirit of Christmas Future (Yet to Come)

A dark spirit who does not speak. This spirit shows Scrooge a Christmas in the future, revealing what may happen if he does not change his ways.



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Turkey Kid

A child whom Scrooge hires on Christmas morning to fetch a giant turkey from the butcher. This character is played by an adult pretending to be a child.

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