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# The Characters of *A Christmas Carol*

## Sensory-Friendly Performance

# Character Descriptions



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 Hunter Ringsmith by Mishaal Hussein.

## BOB CRATCHIT

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



Photo of Jimmy Mavrikes and Keith Richards by Mishaal Hussein.

## THE SOLICITORS

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

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Photo of Ricky DeVon Hall by Mishaal Hussein.

## 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 Justine "Icy" Moral. Erin Weaver and Christopher Mueller by Mishaal Hussein.

## THE CLOCK VENDOR, THE DOLL VENDOR AND THE 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.




Photo of the young company by Carolina Dulcey.

## CHILDREN SINGING CAROLS

A group of children singing Christmas carols outside shops and on street corners to make money.

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## THE BEGGAR WOMAN

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



Photo of Keith Richards by Mishaal Hussein.

## THE UNDERTAKER

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



Photo of Ayanna Hardy by Scott Suchman.

## MRS. DILBER

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

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Photo of Jonny Atkinson by Mishaal Hussein.

## THE 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.



Photo of Justine "Icy" Moral by Scott Suchman.

## THE GHOST OF CHRISTMAS PAST

A young, bright spirit who can fly. 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 Nicolas Cabrera by Carolina Dulcey.

## 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. He loves to read stories about magic and adventure.

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Photo of True Kelly by Carolina Dulcey.

## FAN

Scrooge's beloved sister. She is always kind and loving to Scrooge and everyone around her.



Photo of Ayanna Hardy and Derrick D. Truby Jr. by Scott Suchman.

## MR. AND MRS. FEZZIWIG

Mr. Fezziwig is Scrooge's first employer. He and his wife are joyful, good businesspeople who treat their workers well. Mr. and Mrs. Fezziwig throw a wonderful Christmas party every year.



Photo of Ricky DeVon Hall by Mishaal Hussain.

## 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.

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Photo of Chris Stinson by Titus Ogilvie-Laing.

## YOUNG JACOB MARLEY

Jacob Marley as a young man. Marley and Scrooge worked together at their first job, called an apprenticeship.



Photo of Julia Wheeler Lennon by Scott Suchman.

## 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 Erin Weaver by Mishaal Hussein.

## THE GHOST 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.

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## MRS. CRATCHIT

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



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## BELINDA, PETER 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.



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## TINY TIM

Tiny Tim has a disability, which makes him very sick and weak.  He uses a crutch to help him walk. In this time in history, people with disabilities were often called "cripples" and you will hear that word used to describe Tiny Tim.

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## MRS. FRED, TOPPER AND MRS. FRED'S SISTER

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.



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## IGNORANCE AND WANT

Two children 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 Ghost of Christmas Present shows them to Scrooge.



Photo by T. Charles Erickson.

## THE GHOST OF CHRISTMAS FUTURE (YET TO COME)

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

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## OLD JOE

**A thief who makes money buying and selling stolen goods.**



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## TURKEY BOY

**A child whom Scrooge hires on Christmas morning to fetch a giant turkey from the butcher.**



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## PEOPLE OF LONDON

**Men and women, rich and poor, bustling around the streets of London at Christmastime.**

## *A CHRISTMAS CAROL* CHARACTERS – CREDITS

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