

'The Muppet Christmas Carol'

Comprehension Questions

1. **Who is telling the story at the beginning of the film?**
 - a) Ebenezer Scrooge
 - b) Bob Cratchit
 - c) Charles Dickens
 - d) Kermit the Frog
2. **Where and when is the story set? (Choose two)**

a) London	d) Hanukkah
b) New York	e) Christmas-time
c) Paris	f) New Year
3. **Which character is presented as the main character of the story?**
 - a) Mr Humbug
 - b) Charles Dickens
 - c) Ebenezer Scrooge
 - d) Rizzo the Rat
4. **How would you describe the general mood of the opening scenes?**
 - a) Happy and joyful
 - b) Dark and serious
 - c) Funny but slightly gloomy
 - d) Calm and peaceful

5. **What Christmas imagery do you see in the opening scenes?**

6. **Which words best describe Scrooge at the beginning of the film?**
Choose three adjectives from the choices below:

*generous * pleasant * penny-pinching * kind * appreciative * curmudgeon * cruel*

7. **What is Scrooge's attitude towards:**

- Christmas: _____
- Other people: _____

8. **What business does Scrooge own or work in?**

- a) A bank

- b) A shop
- c) A counting house
- d) A factory

9. Who works for Scrooge?

- a) His clerk
- b) A family member
- c) A businessman
- d) A ghost

10. How does Scrooge act towards Bob Cratchit at work?

- a) Friendly but forgetful
- b) Generous and patient
- c) Kind and generous
- d) Strict and unfriendly

11. Give one example from the film that shows Scrooge is unkind or unfriendly.

12. What do other characters think about Scrooge? (Choose two)

- a) They admire him
- b) They are afraid of him
- c) They feel sorry for him
- d) They find him very generous

13. What happens when people ask Scrooge for charity or kindness?

- a) He ignores them
- b) He agrees without hesitating
- c) He gives money but complains about it
- d) He rejects them

14. Why do you think the narrator (Charles Dickens) is included in this version of the story?

- a) To explain the story clearly
- b) To make the story more serious
- c) To add humour
- d) Both A and C

- 15. This version of A Christmas Carol uses humour and music.**
How does this make the story feel compared to a traditional novel?
- a) It is easier to understand
 - b) It is more entertaining
 - c) It is less memorable
 - d) It is a more difficult version

- 16. How do the Muppet characters affect the way the story is told?**
- a) They make it more serious and historical
 - b) They make it confusing
 - b) They make it funnier and easier to watch
 - c) They remove the message of the story

- 17. Even in the first 10–15 minutes, what message about Christmas or kindness do you think the film is starting to show?**
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- 18. Based on the beginning of the film, what do you think will happen to Scrooge later in the story?**
- a) He will remain the same with small alterations
 - b) He will become kinder and more patient
 - c) He will become even meaner and more lonely
 - d) He will die in loneliness and despair