***Main Characters***

* **Ebenezer Scrooge** is a penny-pinching miser who cares more for his money than for those around him. He undergoes a dramatic transformation after a visit from the Ghosts of Christmas Past, Present, and Future.
* **Jacob Marley** is Scrooge’s deceased business partner who comes to visit him as a ghost. He shares his guilt at living a selfish life and advises Scrooge to change his ways.
* **Bob Cratchit** is a loyal assistant to Scrooge and a loving father. His youngest son, Tiny Tim, is crippled.
* **Mrs. Cratchit** female, 30’s, a strong woman with a heart of gold. She is loving and caring to her family and like a lioness in her protection of them. She can stand her ground, as she does to Scrooge.
* **The Ghost of Christmas Past** wears a white tunic and flowers and travels back in time with Scrooge to his more hopeful childhood.
* **The Ghost of Christmas Present** is a loud, jovial spirit who shows Scrooge how those in his life are enjoying Christmas without him.
* **The Ghost of Christmas Yet to Come (future)** wears a black robe and silently takes Scrooge on a tour of the misery that befalls him and Tiny Tim unless Scrooge changes his ways. The third and final spirit to visit Scrooge, a silent phantom clad in a hooded black robe. He presents Scrooge with an ominous view of his lonely death.
* **Tiny Tim** is the youngest Cratchit child. He is described as bearing "a little crutch, and had his limbs supported by an iron frame." The untreated illness is suggested to be a result of his family's poverty: Scrooge's meager wage does not afford Bob enough to seek proper medical care. As a result, Tiny Tim is disabled. Despite his condition, Tiny Tim is "good as gold" with a pure heart. When Scrooge first sees Tiny Tim, his death is imminent, but after Scrooge's change of heart, Tiny Tim's fate is reversed.
* **Fred** - Scrooge's nephew, a genial man who loves Christmas. He invites Scrooge to his Christmas party each and every year, only to be refused by his grumpy uncle.
* **Fezziwig** - The jovial merchant with whom the young Scrooge apprenticed. Fezziwig was renowned for his wonderful Christmas parties.
* **The Portly Gentlemen** - Two gentlemen who visit Scrooge at the beginning of the tale seeking charitable contributions. Scrooge promptly throws them out of his office. Upon meeting one of them on the street after his visitations, he promises to make lavish donations to help the poor.