

## **A CHRISTMAS CAROL**

**Read the extracts given below and answer the multiple choice questions based on them:**

1. Gentleman : Most of them would rather die than do that.

Scrooge : Then let them do that and help decrease the surplus population.

A) 'They' here refers to \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) the young singers
- b) the poor and the homeless
- c) the Cratchit family members
- d) Fred and his family members

B) Scrooge suggests them to \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) go to the prisons and the work houses
- b) either go to the establishments or die
- c) help the government deal with the population problem
- d) kill others to control population

C) Scrooge appears to be very \_\_\_\_\_ here.

- a) kind-hearted and concerned
- b) rude, callous, cruel and indifferent
- c) responsible and sympathetic
- d) sympathetic and indifferent

2. Marley : It is then doomed to wander through the world.

Scrooge : You are chained, Jacob. Tell me why?

A) 'It' here refers to \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) Marley's ghost
- b) Scrooge's spirit
- c) the spirit
- d) the first of the three spirits

B) It has to wander through the world when \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) a person does not donate money
- b) it is chained
- c) it should no longer exist
- d) a person does not perform kind deeds and charity in his life time.

C) 'Jacob' here is \_\_\_\_\_ who is chained as \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) a business associate of Scrooge, he has done a fraud
- b) a friend of Scrooge, he has not met with people
- c) one of the three spirits, it is to reform Scrooge
- d) the spirit of a business associate of Scrooge, he has not done anything to help people.

3. I tremble at going with you. I fear what I am to see.

A) Scrooge is afraid to go with \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) the First Ghost
- b) the Second Ghost
- c) the Third Ghost
- d) the Ghost of Jacob Marley

B) Scrooge is afraid to see the shadows to come before him as \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) the spirit showing these is frightening
- b) these may be unhappy and unpleasant
- c) these may frighten him to his death
- d) he is afraid of losing his last chance to escape his doom

C) The Ghost shows Scrooge \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) Tiny Tim's death
- b) Scrooge's death
- c) Fred's death
- d) Jacob Marley's death

**Answer the following questions:**

1. 'Is the pattern strange to you?' Why does the Ghost of Jacob Marley ask Scrooge this? (30-40 words)
2. Why does Belle decline to marry Scrooge? (30-40 words)
3. What made Scrooge adopt the role of a second father to Tim? What did he do for Tim and why? (100 words)
4. You are Tim. You have got rid of your physical deformity due to the timely help of Mr. Scrooge. You feel grateful to him. Express your feelings for him in a letter to him in about 175 words.