

Fred

THEME	Stave	QUOTES	ANALYISIS
Social injustice/ Poverty		Fred's benevolence shows he does not enforce social injustice (could use the below quotes to support this- also the same for selfishness as he is the antithesis of this)	As Dickens uses fiction to ignite social reform- he creates Fred to be an exemplary model of the perfect citizen, compassionate, empathetic, and religious, to show the reader how social reform will be easier if everybody in society was more alike to Fred and less like Scrooge.
Kindness/ Family	1	<u>"A merry Christmas, uncle! God save</u> <u>you!"</u>	The comma before <u>"uncle"</u> creates a pause, showing Fred's sincerity towards Scrooge as he emphasises their tamilial bond . The exclamative sentences compound this as he is both overjoyed at this festive time, and thrilled to be in the presence of a beloved family member .
	3	<u>"I am sorry for him; I couldn't be angry</u> with him if I tried".	The lexis on "couldn't be angry" reinforces how Fred is constructed as unable to be hateful and spiteful. He only knows how to be caring and solicitous (caring)- model example for society.
Religion	3	"his offences carry their own punishment and I have nothing to say against him."	Fred does not make it his business to condemn- he knows the real condemnation will be in the afterlife. Thus, he remains objective regarding Scrooge and leads with love.
Redemption/ Regret	1	<u>"all in a glow; his face was ruddy and</u> <u>handsome; his eyes sparkled"</u>	The motif of light, presented through the ghost of past, present and Belle, is similarly used with Fred. "glow" and "sparkled" demonstrate this motif. As light frequently symbolises hope and enlightenment throughout the novella, this could show how Fred provides hope for Scrooge's redemption- his magnanimous nature provides hope that Scrooge will emulate this.