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Instructions: Read each question carefully and choose the best answer.

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| <p>1. What problem does Scrooge have in this story?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ He doesn't like the holidays. Ⓑ He doesn't like cold weather. Ⓒ He wishes he had more money. Ⓓ He wishes he had more friends. <p>2. The narrator of the story helps the reader understand Scrooge by _____.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ explaining why Scrooge behaves the way he does Ⓑ describing everything Scrooge thinks and does Ⓒ describing characters that are similar to Scrooge Ⓓ showing how Scrooge acts toward the people in his life <p>3. Which two words best describe Scrooge's clerk?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ dull and ridiculous Ⓑ cold and dishonest Ⓒ polite and hardworking Ⓓ absent-minded and silly | <p>4. What does the word liberality mean?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ generosity Ⓑ tacitly Ⓒ threatening Ⓓ silently <p>5. Why does Scrooge's nephew invite his uncle over for Christmas?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ He thinks Scrooge is happy. Ⓑ He wants to be friends with his uncle. Ⓒ His family wants to meet Scrooge. Ⓓ He desires Scrooge's money. <p>6. Which of the following events happens first?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ Scrooge's clerk leaves for the day. Ⓑ Two gentlemen visit Scrooge. Ⓒ Scrooge's nephew invites Scrooge to Christmas dinner. Ⓓ Scrooge sees Marley's face in the knocker on the door. |
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7. Which of the following events happens last?
 - Ⓐ Scrooge's clerk leaves for the day.
 - Ⓑ Two gentlemen visit Scrooge.
 - Ⓒ Scrooge's nephew invites Scrooge to Christmas dinner.
 - Ⓓ Scrooge sees Marley's face in the knocker on the door.
8. Which word best describes something *sad* or *gloomy*?
 - Ⓐ livid
 - Ⓑ melancholy
 - Ⓒ misanthropic
 - Ⓓ palpable
9. What part of the setting has a big impact on the characters and their interactions?
 - Ⓐ the cold winter season
 - Ⓑ the Christmas season
 - Ⓒ Bob Cratchit's house
 - Ⓓ the warm summer season
10. What does Scrooge's response to the two gentlemen reveal about his character?
 - Ⓐ It shows why he dislikes Christmas.
 - Ⓑ It explains how his childhood affected him.
 - Ⓒ It shows he is selfish and uncaring.
 - Ⓓ It explains why his family is important to him.
11. **Extended Response:** Write a response that compares Scrooge's nephew and Scrooge's clerk. Identify at least one way these two characters are alike and one way both characters are different from Scrooge.
12. **Extended Response:** What details are part of the plot's introduction? What is part of the rising action? Write a paragraph describing these plot elements, and then explain whether this part has a climax or not.

1. Ⓐ *Problem and Solution*
2. Ⓓ *Identify Character Point of View*
3. Ⓒ *Analyze Character*
4. Ⓐ *Vocabulary*
5. Ⓑ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
6. Ⓒ *Sequence Events*
7. Ⓓ *Sequence Events*
8. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
9. Ⓑ *Analyze Setting*
10. Ⓒ *Analyze Character*
11. Answers will vary. Sample responses: *Scrooge's nephew and clerk both enjoy celebrating Christmas, but Scrooge does not. Scrooge's nephew and clerk are friendly and polite, but Scrooge is neither friendly nor polite.*
12. Answers will vary, but will include details from the introduction (such as those that describe the setting and introduce the characters) and details that comprise the rising action (Scrooge's mounting suspense when he gets home, seeing Marley in the knocker). Answers will conclude with the student's opinion on whether or not the part has a climax. (Students may or may not view Marley's face on the knocker as a climax.)