

Quotations to Discuss

A Christmas Carol

Stave One

1. As solitary as an oyster
2. Hard and sharp as flint
3. The cold within him froze his old features
4. decrease the surplus population
5. I wear the chain I forged in life

Stave Two

1. It was a strange figure
2. A solitary child neglected by his friends
3. They shone in every part of the dance like moons
4. Another idol has displaced me
5. Remove me from this place

Stave Three

1. These young Cratchits danced about the table
2. Nobody said or thought it was at all a small pudding for a large family
3. Bob held his withered little hand in his
4. I think that he loses some pleasant moments
5. Yellow, meagre, ragged, scowling, wolfish

Stave Four

1. It's likely to be a very cheap funeral
2. He frightened everyone away from him when he was alive
3. Spirit of Tiny Tim, thy childish essence was from God
4. I am not the man I was
5. I will honour Christmas

Stave Five

1. I will live in the Past, the Present, and the Future
2. Not the little prize turkey: the big one
3. Wonderful party, wonderful games, wonderful unanimity
4. I'll raise your salary
5. Scrooge was better than his word

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Jekyll and Hyde

Mr Hyde

1. Stamping his foot/broke out of all bounds and clubbed him to the earth
2. ape-like fury
3. A murderer's autograph
4. like some damned Juggernaut
5. haunting sense of deformity

Mr Utterson

1. If he be Mr Hyde, I shall be Mr Seek
2. God forgive us! God forgive us!
3. Mr. Utterson the lawyer was a man of a rugged countenance, that was never lighted by a smile; cold, scanty and embarrassed
4. backward in sentiment; lean, long, dusty, dreary
5. somehow lovable

Dr Lanyon

1. He had his death warrant written legibly upon his face
2. Lanyon declared himself a doomed man
3. my soul sickened at it...I must die
4. "O God!" I screamed, and "O God!" again and again; for there before my eyes—pale and shaken, and half fainting

Horror and Fear

1. The figure in these two phases haunted the lawyer all night
2. It was a wild, cold seasonable night of March
3. fog rolled over
4. dingy windowless structure
5. sordid negligence

Violence and Crime

1. Little man trampled calmly over the child's body...it was hellish to see
2. bones were audibly shattered
3. I mauled the unresisting body, tasting delight from every blow
4. clubbed him to the earth

Duality

1. "Man is not truly one but truly two".
2. "I felt younger, lighter, happier in body.."
3. "I had gone to bed Henry Jekyll, I had awakened Edward Hyde,"
4. "my devil had been long caged, he came out roaring"
5. "If I am the chief of sinners, I am the chief of sufferers"

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Macbeth

Act 1

1. But all's too weak for brave Macbeth
2. If chance will have me king, why chance may crown me without my stir
3. Look like th'innocent flower, but be the serpent under't
4. We will proceed no further in this business
5. False face must hide what the false heart doth know

Act 2

1. Is this a dagger which I see before me
2. This is a sorry sight
3. My hands are of your colour, but I shame to wear a heart so white
4. O horror, horror, horror
5. Dark night strangles the travelling lamp

Act 3

1. I fear though play'dst most foully for't
2. Our fears in Banquo stick deep
3. O full of scorpions is my mind
4. Never shake thy gory locks at me
5. You lack the season of all natures, sleep

Act 4

1. Horrible sight
2. Bleed, bleed, poor country
3. O Scotland, Scotland
4. Wife, servants, children, all
5. O hell-kite

Act 5

1. Out damned spot, out I say
2. I'll fight, till from my bones my flesh be hacked
3. Out, out, brief candle
4. Turn hell-hound, turn
5. This dead butcher, and his fiend-like queen

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An Inspector Calls

Act One

1. As if we were all mixed-up together like bees in a hive
2. It's my duty to keep labour costs down
3. But these girls aren't cheap labour
4. I couldn't be sorry for her
5. Why – you fool – he knows

Act Two

1. I hate those hard-eyed, dough-faced women
2. He's a notorious womaniser and one of the worst sots and rogues in Brumley
3. You were the wonderful fairy prince
4. We've done a great deal of useful work in helping deserving cases
5. I think she had only herself to blame
6. Secondly, I blame the young man who was the father of the child

Act Three

1. I was in a state where one easily turns nasty
2. We are members of one body
3. There'll be a public scandal
4. You're beginning to pretend now that nothing's really happened at all
5. He was our police inspector, all right

Quotations to Discuss

Power and Conflict Poetry

War

1. Into the valley of Death
2. But nothing happens
3. Suddenly he awoke and was running
4. Dream, and he's torn apart by a dozen rounds
5. A hundred agonies in black-and-white

Fear

1. With trembling oars I turned
2. Worried by silence, sentries whisper, curious, nervous
3. Strange, it is a huge nothing that we fear
4. His terror's touchy dynamite
5. He's here in my head when I close my eyes

Authority

1. Look on my works, ye Mighty and despair
2. I wandered through each chartered street
3. I gave commands
4. Dem tell me
5. Her father embarked at sunrise

Defiance

1. The mind forged manacles I hear
2. We are prepared
3. I am branded by an impression of sunlight
4. I checking out me own history
5. My mother never spoke again

Relationships

1. A heart – how shall I say? – too soon made glad
2. Sellotape bandaged around my hand
3. How he sought approval
4. Trace a grand design with living tissue
5. Her father embarked at sunrise

Nature

1. The lone and level sands stretch far away
2. Small circles glittering idly in the moon
3. Dawn massing in the east her melancholy army
4. But there are no trees, no natural shelter
5. A tuna, the dark prince, muscular, dangerous