

## Grade 7: *A Christmas Carol* Vocabulary Handout

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**1. Phantom (n):** an apparition or specter; an appearance or illusion without material substance as a dream image, mirage, or optical illusion

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**2. Intimation (n):** a hint; suggestion

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**3. Facetious (adj):** not meant to be taken seriously or literally; amusing; humorous

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**4. Obligated (v):** to make necessary or obligatory; to place under a debt of gratitude for some benefit, favor, or service

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**5. Transparent (adj):** so sheer so as to permit light to pass through

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**6. Perplexed (v):** to cause to be puzzled or bewildered over what is not understood or certain; confuse mentally

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**7. Fluctuated (v):** to change continually; shift back and forth

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**8. Latent (adj):** present but not visible, apparent, or actualized; existing as potential

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**9. Agitation (n):** state of being excited or disturbed

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**10. Tumultuous (adj):** full of violent and noisy commotion; marked by disturbance and uproar

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**11. Haggard (adj):** having a gaunt, wasted, or exhausted appearance, as from prolonged suffering, exertion or anxiety; worn

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**12. Apprehensive (v):** uneasy or fearful about something that might happen

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**13. Suburbs (n):** a district lying immediately outside a city or town, especially a smaller residential community

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**14. Credulity (n):** willingness to believe or trust too readily, especially without proper or adequate evidence; gullibility

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**15. Rebuke (n):** sharp, stern, disapproval; reproof; reprimand

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**16. Cultivate (v):** to promote or improve the growth of by labor and attention

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**17. Charwoman (n):** a woman hired to do general cleaning, especially in an office or large house

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**18. Repress (v):** to keep under control, check, or suppress; to keep down

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**19. Illustrious (adj):** highly distinguished; renowned; famous

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**20. Feign (v):** to represent fictitiously; put on an appearance of; to imitate deceptively

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