**Scrooge’s Change**

Scrooge is introduced as a **grumpy**, **unsociable** and **unpleasant** person who hates Christmas and anything that is happy and festive. He is said to be “solitary as an oyster” which shows how his tough outer shell is very difficult to break down, but it hints at the precious and nice personality deep inside him. As well, it says he is “self-contained” which shows how he keeps to himself and won’t reach out to anyone. **This links to the theme** of sin within the story, as Scrooge is ignoring the spirit of Christmas, which is to be joyful and kind to everyone. **The writer is showing** that rich people were often seeing the poor as being not worthy of inclusion and so he treats them badly. However, by the time Scrooge anonymously donates a prize turkey to the Cratchit family, he has started to see other people as just as important (or even more so) than himself. He greets people in the street and promises to “keep Christmas in his heart the whole year”, showing how ……………….

This shows how he is now showing …………………………..

The writer is showing ………..

* Scrooge hates Christmas and the Christmas spirit.
* Scrooge is a cold person who doesn’t believe in people or community.
* Scrooge is mean and won’t spend his money unless it’s absolutely necessary.
* Scrooge won’t provide anything for other people or their comfort.
* The writer presents Scrooge as a distant and lonely character.