

Objective

By the end of this lesson, you will be able to understand the geographical and historical context of A Christmas Carol and its relevance to the Industrial Revolution in England.

Materials and Prep

Materials: Map of England, A Christmas Carol book or text, writing materials

Prep: Familiarize yourself with the setting of A Christmas Carol and the historical context of the Industrial Revolution in England.

Activities

- **Locate the Setting:** Use the map of England to locate the setting of A Christmas Carol. Discuss the significance of the setting in relation to the story.
- **Research the Industrial Revolution:** Look up information about the Industrial Revolution in England and discuss how it impacted the lives of people during the time of A Christmas Carol.
- **Compare Past and Present:** Compare the geographical and historical aspects of England during the time of A Christmas Carol to the present day. Discuss the changes that have occurred over time.

Eighth Grade Talking Points

- "Today, we will explore the geographical and historical context of A Christmas Carol to better understand the story and its relevance to the time it was set in."
- "Let's use the map of England to locate the setting of A Christmas Carol and discuss how the geography influenced the characters and events in the story."
- "As we learn about the Industrial Revolution, think about how the changes in England during that time affected the characters in A Christmas Carol."
- "Now, let's compare the England of A Christmas Carol to the England of today and discuss the differences and similarities in geography and society."