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Laughing at Greed

Short Answer Key

1. Scrooge's extreme rudeness is humorous because his refusal to celebrate Christmas and help others is so exaggerated that it seems ridiculous.
2. The businessmen's reaction to Scrooge's death is funny because instead of mourning, they only care about his money and belongings, showing their selfishness.
3. The Ghost of Christmas Present repeats Scrooge's cruel words sarcastically to make him realize how heartless he has been toward the poor.
4. Dickens describes the Ghost of Christmas Present as cheerful and jolly to contrast with Scrooge's grumpy attitude and highlight the joy of generosity.
5. Humor makes A Christmas Carol more enjoyable because it keeps readers entertained while also making them think about kindness, greed, and change.

