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## Laughing at Greed

### Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Dickens may have used humor to make the story more engaging while still teaching serious lessons about greed, generosity, and change.
2. Scrooge's exaggerated personality helps show the dangers of greed by making his selfishness so extreme that it highlights how wrong his behavior is.
3. Dickens likely wanted readers to see that greed and selfishness are not only harmful but also foolish, encouraging them to be kinder and more generous.
4. Humor can be an effective way to encourage people to change their behavior because it makes them reflect on their actions without feeling attacked or defensive.

