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## Shadows and Light

### Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Dickens uses Ignorance and Want to show the consequences of ignoring the poor, reminding readers that neglecting education and basic needs leads to suffering for everyone in society.
2. The imagery of Scrooge's cold, dark home reflects his isolation, while the Cratchit family's warm, bright home shows how love and connection bring happiness, even without money.
3. Dickens wants readers to understand that generosity and helping others create a better, kinder world, while greed and selfishness lead to loneliness and suffering.
4. The story encourages readers to think about their own actions by showing how small acts of kindness can make a big difference in others' lives and in their own happiness.

