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Victorian Inequality

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Dickens uses the Cratchit family to show how poverty affects even hardworking, loving families. Their struggles highlight the unfairness of social inequality.
2. Scrooge is motivated to change by seeing his own lonely future, the suffering of the Cratchits, and the consequences of ignoring the poor through Ignorance and Want.
3. Generosity is important in A Christmas Carol because it shows how helping others can create a more just and joyful world. It also transforms Scrooge's life for the better.
4. Scrooge's story encourages readers to think about how their own choices and generosity can make a difference in the lives of others. It challenges people to act with compassion and kindness.

