

A How The Grinch Stole Christmas Unit

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UNIT CONSISTS OF:

- LESSON PLANS
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Learning Focused Strategies (Lesson Planning Form)

Grade 3-5

How The Grinch Stole Christmas Unit

PA Standards: 1.1.5 C-H, 1.6.5 B, 1.1.5 A-H, 1.3.5 A-B, F, 1.6.5 A-E, 1.8.5.B

<p><u>Essential Question</u></p>	<p>UEQ: What do effective readers do before, during and after reading to make meaning from the text?</p> <p>LEQ: How can I identify story elements? LEQ: What is author's purpose? LEQ: How do I write a persuasive writing? LEQ: What is a simile and a metaphor?</p>
<p><u>Activating Strategy</u></p>	<p>Vocabulary:</p> <p>List #1- practically, nervously, glee, mistletoe, flue, slunk, coo List #2- scarce, chuckled, clucked, slithered, nimbly, grinned, puzzling, hitched</p> <p>Discuss what Christmas means? Graphic Organizer - KWL <u>Reading:</u> Listen to story on CD</p>
<p><u>Teaching Strategies</u></p>	<p>Read Story: <i>How The Grinch Stole Christmas</i></p> <p><u>Lesson 1</u> – Discuss story elements (character, setting, plot) then fill out a story map for the story.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discuss character traits and motives. Fill out a character map for the Grinch. Fill out a character map for the Who's and compare the two maps.• Begin a character map that tells how the feeling of the Grinch changes from the beginning of the story to the end. Discuss what causes the Grinch to change.• Revisit the character maps. Create a new character map depicting the Grinch at the end of the story.• Discuss plot/climax. Review a plot graphic organizer and discuss climax. Where in the story can you find the climax?• Discuss problem/solution. Identify the problem in this story- Why does the Grinch hate Christmas and the Who's? How is the problem solved? <p><u>Lesson 2</u> – Discuss author's purpose. What is the author's purpose for writing this story?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Write a persuasive letter to the Grinch, convincing him why Christmas is a happy time of year. <p><u>Lesson 3</u> – Reader's Theater. Discuss the importance of using expression and fluency when reading a play.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Perform the play <p><u>Lesson 4</u> – Pass out the lyrics to the theme song of How the Grinch Stole Christmas and listen to the song.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sing along with the song• Discuss similes and metaphors

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Using the lyrics, identify the similes and metaphors Create own similes and metaphors. Choose your favorite and draw onto a cut-out stocking.
Summarizing Strategies	Review KWL graphic organizer and fill in the "L" Quiet ball using the comprehension ball or dice
Extending/Refining Strategies	<p>-Why do you think the Who's acted the way they did when they found all their things that had been stolen?</p> <p>-Do you know anyone like the Grinch? Do you think there may be reasons why that person acts that way?</p> <p>-What are some ways to reach out to others who are less fortunate than us during the holidays?</p>
Assignment / Assessment	<u>Assessments:</u> Selection Comprehension Test Robust Vocabulary Test
Reflection Lesson Reflection (s)	COMMENT:



Grinch Vocabulary List #1

1. Practically - almost; nearly
2. Nervously - easily excited or upset
3. Glee - being merry or lively joy
4. Mistletoe - a plant with small, waxy white berries that is used as a Christmas decoration. When you stand under it, someone will kiss you.
5. Flue - pipe or tube for smoke or hot air to escape.
6. Slunk - move in a sneaky way
7. Coo - soft sound like the sound of a dove



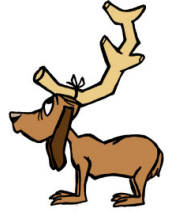
Grinch Vocabulary List #2

1. scarce - not enough of or very limited
2. cluck - to make a noise like a hen
3. grin - a small smile
4. hitched - tied or fastened with a rope
5. nimbly - moving quickly and lightly
6. puzzling - difficult to understand; confusing
7. scarce - not enough of or very limited
8. slither - to move with a sliding, side to side motion of the body



Name _____

Date _____



Grinch Vocabulary 1 Test

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Glee
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Flue
Slunk
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4. Max _____ to himself when the Grinch got to carve the roast beef.
5. Santa _____ flew up the chimney.
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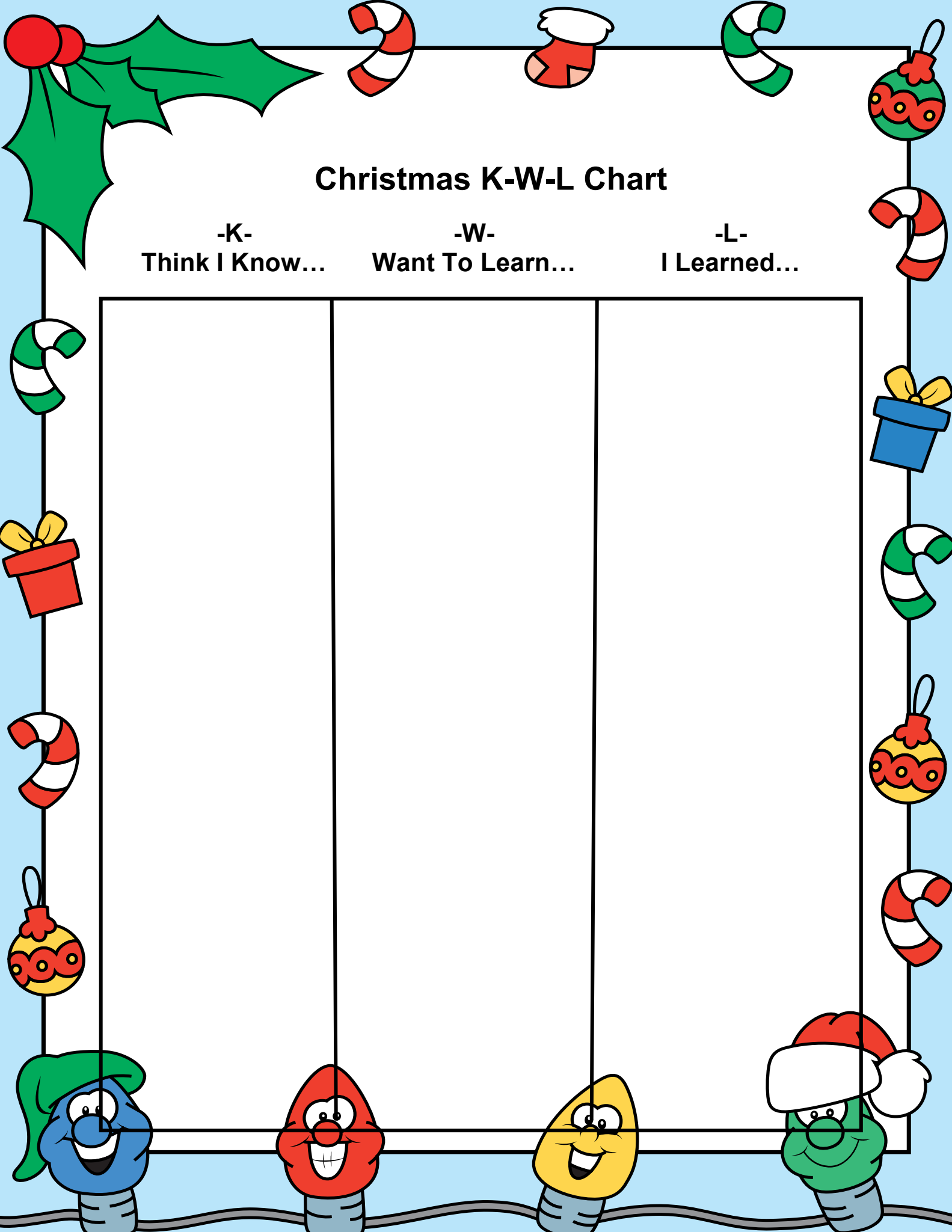
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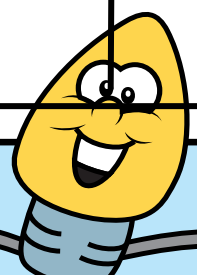
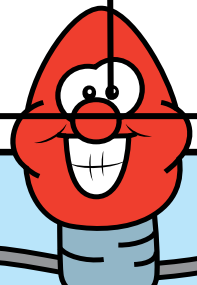
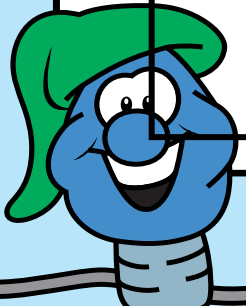
Christmas K-W-L Chart

-K-
Think I Know...

-W-
Want To Learn...

-L-
I Learned...

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Grinch Who Stole Christmas Story Map

AUTHORS PURPOSE:

FICTION OR NONFICTION:



SETTING:



CHARACTERS:

PLOT/PROBLEM:

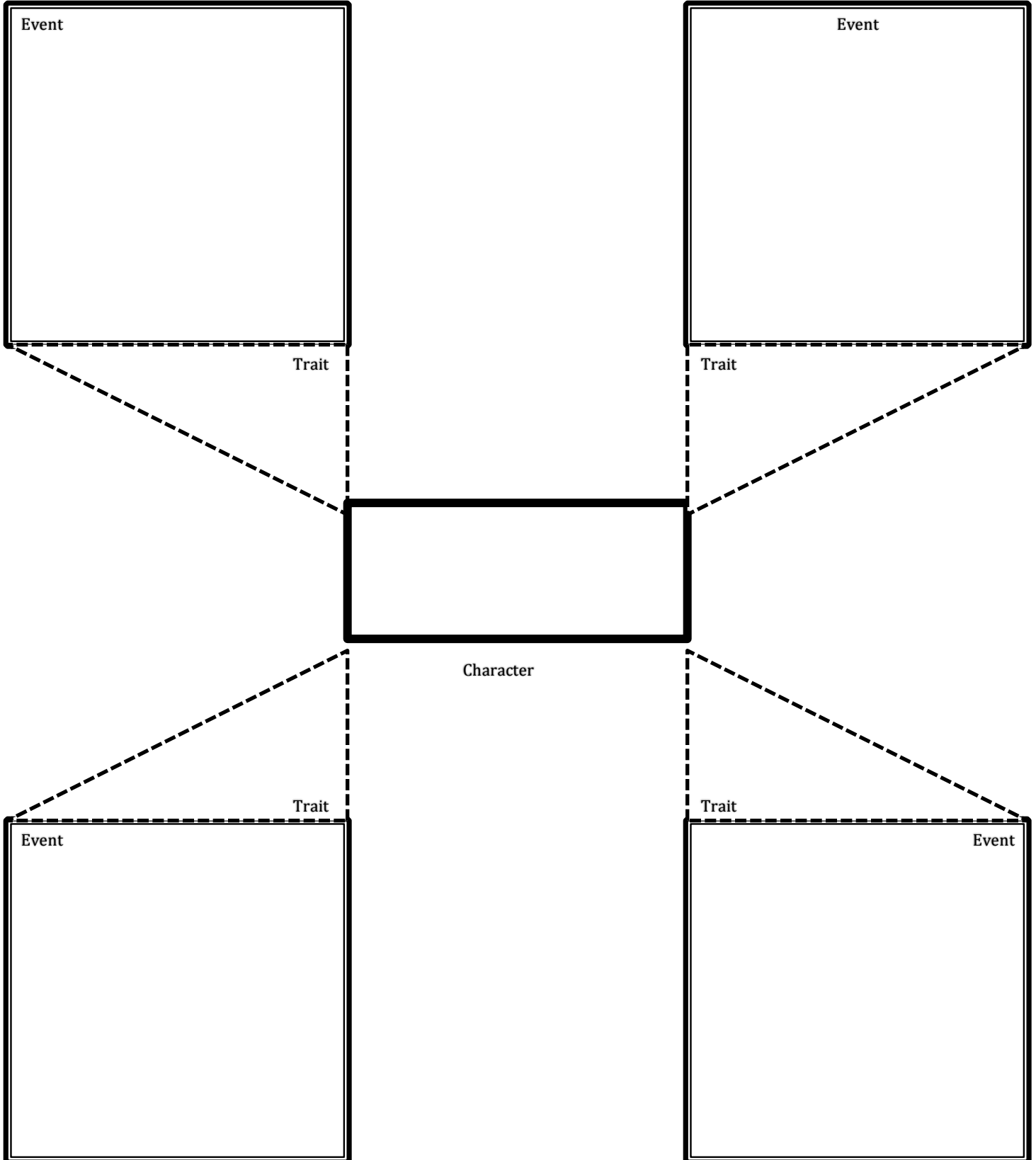
SOLUTION:



Name _____

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CHARACTER MAP



Name _____

Date _____

Character Map

Event

Event



Trait

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How did The Grinch Change in the Story?



Turning Point

Grinch at Beginning
of Story

Events That Caused Change

Grinch at End
of Story

Empty rectangular box for writing the Grinch's state at the beginning of the story.

Large arched box for writing the events that caused the Grinch's change.

Empty rectangular box for writing the Grinch's state at the end of the story.

PERSUASIVE WRITING GRAPHIC ORGANIZER



WHY CHRISTMAS IS A HAPPY TIME OF YEAR:

REASON:

EXAMPLES:

RESTATE
OPINION





You're a Mean One, Mr. Grinch

Author: Dr. Seuss

You're a mean one, Mr. Grinch.
You really are a heel.
You're as cuddly as a cactus,
You're as charming as an eel.
Mr. Grinch.

Your soul is an appalling dump heap
overflowing
with the most disgraceful assortment of
deplorable
rubbish imaginable,
Mangled up in tangled up knots.

You're a bad banana
With a greasy black peel.

You nauseate me, Mr. Grinch.
With a nauseous super-naus.
You're a crooked jerky jockey
And you drive a crooked horse.
Mr. Grinch.

You're a monster, Mr. Grinch.
Your heart's an empty hole.
Your brain is full of spiders,
You've got garlic in your soul.
Mr. Grinch.

You're a three decker sauerkraut and toadstool
sandwich
With arsenic sauce.

I wouldn't touch you, with a
thirty-nine-and-a-half foot pole.

You're a vile one, Mr. Grinch.
You have termites in your smile.
You have all the tender sweetness
Of a seasick crocodile.
Mr. Grinch.

Given the choice between the two of you
I'd take the seasick crocodile.

You're a foul one, Mr. Grinch.
You're a nasty, wasty skunk.
Your heart is full of unwashed socks
Your soul is full of gunk.
Mr. Grinch.

The three words that best describe you,
are, and I quote: "Stink. Stank. Stunk."



You're a rotter, Mr. Grinch.
You're the king of sinful sots.
Your heart's a dead tomato splot
With moldy purple spots,
Mr. Grinch.

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How the Grinch Stole Christmas Test

Multiple Choice

1. What was the Grinch's awful idea?
 - a. To go on a hunting trip
 - b. To stop Christmas
 - c. To steal Santa's sleigh
 - d. To steal all of the toys
2. Where did the Grinch live?
 - a. North Pole
 - b. South Who-ville
 - c. North Who-ville
 - d. Eters
3. Who was the only Who that caught the Grinch?
 - a. Cindy Lou
 - b. Rudolph
 - c. Frosty
 - d. Max
4. What is the dog's name?
 - a. Milo
 - b. Comet
 - c. Max
 - d. Dancer
5. What did the Grinch hate?
 - a. snow
 - b. dogs
 - b. Christmas
 - d. New Years
6. What was the 1st thing the Grinch took?
 - a. Who-hash
 - b. stockings
 - c. Who-pudding
 - d. Christmas tree
7. What did the Grinch use as a reindeer?
 - a. a goat
 - b. a dog
 - c. a horse
 - d. a cow
8. What did Cindy Lou Who want?
 - a. a drink
 - b. a snack
 - c. a story
 - d. to use the potty
9. What time was it when the Grinch packed up his sled?
 - a. noon
 - b. midnight
 - c. quarter past nine
 - d. quarter past dawn
10. What 3 things did the Grinch hate most about Christmas?
 - a. coloring, feasting, singing
 - b. feasting, napping, singing
 - c. noise, coloring, singing
 - d. noise, feasting, singing

11. What did the Who's eat at the feast?
a. pudding and roast beast b. jello and Who hash
c. pudding and roast duck d. roast beast and Who-hash
12. The Grinch took the last can of what from the icebox?
a. baked beans b. chili
c. hash d. tuna
13. What did the Grinch leave on the walls?
a. pictures and wreaths b. hooks and wires
c. lights and pictures d. hooks and worms
14. What were the crumbs too small for?
a. hamsters b. guinea pig
c. chipmunk d. mouse
15. How did the Grinch attach the horn to the dog?
a. red rope b. red thread
c. red yarn d. red duck tape
16. How old was Cindy Lou Who?
a. 4 years old b. 6 years old
c. 2 years old d. 9 years old
17. How many sizes did the Grinch's heart grow?
a. 5 sizes b. 10 sizes
c. 2 sizes d. 3 sizes
18. Where did the Grinch take the Who's Christmas?
a. Mt. Caramel b. Mt. Crumpit
c. Mt. Cupcake d. Mt. Cheesecake

Answer

19. What did the Grinch do at the very end of the story?
20. What is the true meaning of Christmas?

The Grinch Who Stole Christmas

Dr. Seuss



ALL: Every Who down in Who-ville Liked Christmas a lot...

Who 1: But the Grinch, who lived just north of Who-ville, Did NOT!

Who 2: The Grinch hated Christmas! The whole Christmas season! Now, please don't ask why. No one quite knows the reason.

Who 3: It could be his head wasn't screwed on just right.

Who 4: It could be, perhaps, that his shoes were too tight.

Who 5: But I think that the most likely reason of all May have been that his heart was two sizes too small.

Who 6: But, whatever the reason, His heart or his shoes, He stood there on Christmas Eve, hating the Whos,

Who 7: Staring down from his cave with a sour, Grinchy frown at the warm lighted windows below in their town. For he knew every Who down in Who-ville beneath Was busy now, hanging a mistletoe wreath.

Grinch: And they're hanging their stockings!

Quotations Who: he snarled with a sneer,

Grinch: Tomorrow is Christmas! It's practically here!

Who 8: Then he growled, with his Grinch fingers nervously drumming,

Grinch: I MUST find some way to stop Christmas from coming!

Who 9: For, tomorrow, he knew...

Who 1: ...All the Who girls and boys would wake bright and early. They'd rush for their toys! And then!

Who 2: Oh, the noise! Oh, the Noise! Noise! Noise! Noise!

Who 3: That's one thing he hated!

Who 4: The NOISE!

Who 9: NOISE!

Who 7: NOISE!

Who 3: NOISE!

Who 5: Then the Whos, young and old, would sit down to a feast.

Who 6: And they'd feast!

Who 7: And they'd feast!

Who 8: And they'd FEAST!

Who 9: FEAST!

Who 1: FEAST!

Who 2: FEAST!

Who 3: They would feast on Who-pudding, and rare Who-roast beast

Who 4: Which was something the Grinch couldn't stand in the least!

Who 5: And THEN They'd do something He liked least of all!

Who 6: Every Who down in Who-ville, the tall and the small, Would stand close together, with
Christmas bells ringing. They'd stand hand-in-hand.

Who 7: And the Whos would start singing!

Who 8: They'd sing!

Who 9: And they'd sing!

Cindy Lou-Who: And they'd SING!

Who 1: SING!

Who 2: SING!

Who 3: SING!

Who 4: And the more the Grinch thought of this Who-Christmas-Sing,

Narrator: The more the Grinch thought

Grinch: I must stop this whole thing! Why, for fifty-three years I've put up with it now! I MUST stop this
Christmas from coming! ...But HOW?

Who 5: Then he got an idea!

Who 6: An awful idea!

ALL: THE GRINCH GOT A WONDERFUL, AWFUL IDEA!

Grinch: I know just what to do!

Narrator: The Grinch laughed in his throat.

Who 7: And he made a quick Santy Claus hat and a coat.

Narrator: And he chuckled, and clucked,

Grinch: What a great Grinchy trick! With this coat and this hat, I look just like Saint Nick! All I need is a reindeer...

Who 8: The Grinch looked around. But, since reindeer are scarce, there was none to be found.

Who 9: Did that stop the old Grinch...?

Grinch: No!

Narrator: The Grinch simply said

Grinch: If I can't find a reindeer, I'll make one instead!

Who 1: So he called his dog, Max.

Who 2: Then he took some red thread. And he tied a big horn on the top of his head.

Who 3: THEN He loaded some bags

Who 4: And some old empty sacks

Who 3: On a ramshackle sleigh

Who 5: And he hitched up old Max.

Narrator: Then the Grinch said

Grinch: Giddap!

Who 6: And the sleigh started down toward the homes where the Whos lay a-snooze in their town.

Who 7: All their windows were dark. Quiet snow filled the air.

Who 8: All the Whos were all dreaming sweet dreams without care

Who 9: When he came to the first little house on the square.

Grinch: This is stop number one

Narrator: The old Grinchy Claus hissed

Who 1: And he climbed to the roof, empty bags in his fist.

Who 2: Then he slid down the chimney. A rather tight pinch.

Who 3: But, if Santa could do it

Who 4: then so could the Grinch

Who 5: He got stuck only once, for a moment or two.

Who 6: Then he stuck his head out of the fireplace flue where the little Who stockings all hung in a row.

Grinch: These stockings

Narrator: He grinned

Grinch: are the first things to go!

Who 7: Then he slithered and slunk, with a smile most unpleasant,

Who 8: Around the whole room, and he took every present!

Who 9: Pop guns!

Cindy Lou-Who: And bicycles!

Who 1: Roller skates!

Who 2: Drums!

Who 3: Checkerboards!

Who 4: Tricycles!

Who 5: Popcorn!

Who 6: And plums!

Who 7: And he stuffed them in bags.

Who 8: Then the Grinch, very nimbly, Stuffed all the bags, one by one, up the chimbley!

Who 9: Then he slunk to the icebox.

Who 1: He took the Whos' feast!

Who 2: He took the Who-pudding!

Who 3: He took the roast beast!

Who 4: He cleaned out that icebox as quick as a flash.

Who 5: Why, that Grinch even took their last can of Who-hash!

Who 6: Then he stuffed all the food up the chimney with glee.

Grinch: And NOW!

Narrator: grinned the Grinch

Grinch: I will stuff up the tree!

Who 7: And the Grinch grabbed the tree, and he started to shove

Who 8: When he heard a small sound like the coo of a dove.

Who 9: He turned around fast, and he saw a small Who!

Who 1: Little Cindy-Lou Who

Who 2: who was not more than two.

Who 3: The Grinch had been caught by this tiny Who daughter who'd got out of bed for a cup of cold water.

Narrator: She stared at the Grinch and said

Cindy-Lou Who: Santy Claus, why? Why are you taking our Christmas tree? WHY?

Who 4: But, you know, that old Grinch was so smart and so slick. He thought up a lie,

Who 5: He thought it up quick!

Grinch: Why, my sweet little tot

Narrator: The fake Santy Claus lied

Grinch: There's a light on this tree that won't light on one side. So I'm taking it home to my workshop, my dear. I'll fix it ... up there. Then I'll bring it back here.

Who 6: And his fib fooled the child.

Who 7: Then he patted her head and he got her a drink and he sent her to bed.

Who 8: And when Cindy-Lou Who went to bed with her cup, HE went to the chimney and stuffed the tree up!

Who 9: Then the last thing he took was the log for their fire!

Cindy Lou-Who: Then he went up the chimney, himself, the old liar.

Who 1: On their walls he left nothing but hooks and some wire.

Who 2: And the one speck of food that he left in the house was a crumb that was even too small for a mouse.

Who 3: Then He did the same thing to the other Whos' houses.

Who 4: Leaving crumbs much too small For the other Whos' mouses!

Who 5: It was quarter past dawn...

Who 6: All the Whos, still a-bed,

Who 7: All the Whos, still a-snooze

Who 8: When he packed up his sled

Who 9: Packed it up with their presents!

Who 1: The ribbons!

Who 2: The wrappings!

Who 3: The tags!

Who 4: And the tinsel!

Who 5: The trimmings!

Who 6: The trappings!

Who 7: Three thousand feet up!

Who 8: Up the side of Mt. Crumpit

Who 9: He rode with his load to the tiptop to dump it!

Grinch: Pooh-Pooh to the Whos!

Narrator: He was grinch-ish-ly humming

Grinch: They're finding out now that no Christmas is coming! They're just waking up! I know just what they'll do!

 Their mouths will hang open a minute or two then the Whos down in Who-ville will all cry
Boo-Hoo!

 That's a noise

Narrator: grinned the Grinch

Grinch: That I simply MUST hear!

Who 1: So he paused. And the Grinch put his hand to his ear. And he did hear a sound rising over the snow.

Who 2: It started in low.

Who 3: Then it started to grow...

Who 4: But the sound wasn't sad!

Who 5: Why, this sound sounded merry!

Who 6: It couldn't be so!

Who 7: But it WAS merry!

ALL: VERY!

Who 8: He stared down at Who-ville!

Who 9: The Grinch popped his eyes!

Cindy Lou-Who: Then he shook!

Who 1: What he saw was a shocking surprise!

Who 2: Every Who down in Who-ville, the tall and the small, was singing!

Who 3: Without any presents at all!

Who 4: He HADN'T stopped Christmas from coming! It came!

Who 5: Somehow or other, it came just the same!

Who 6: And the Grinch, with his grinch-feet ice-cold in the snow,

Narrator: Stood puzzling and puzzling

Grinch: How could it be so? It came with out ribbons! It came without tags! It came without packages, boxes or bags!

Who 7: And he puzzled three hours, till his puzzler was sore.

Who 8: Then the Grinch thought of something he hadn't before!

Grinch: Maybe Christmas

Narrator: he thought

Grinch: doesn't come from a store. Maybe Christmas...perhaps...means a little bit more!

Who 9: And what happened then...?

Who 1: Well...in Who-ville they say that the Grinch's small heart Grew three sizes that day!

Who 2: And the minute his heart didn't feel quite so tight, he whizzed with his load through the bright morning light

Who 3: And he brought back the toys!

Who 4: And the food for the feast!

Who 5: And he...

Who 6: HE HIMSELF...!

Who 7: The Grinch carved the roast beast!



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