

A Christmas Carol – Glossary

appear verb

if someone or something appears somewhere, you begin to see them suddenly or for the first time
One day a stranger appeared on my doorstep.

brave adjective

capable of dealing with danger or pain, without seeming to be frightened
the brave soldiers who fought and died for their country

character noun [countable]

a person in a book, play, movie, etc.
The book has a solid plot and likable characters.

cheerful adjective

behaving in a happy friendly way
Stephen was a cheerful, affectionate child.

childhood noun [countable/uncountable]

the time of your life when you are a child
We spent our childhood in a small town in the mountains.

Christmas Day noun [countable/uncountable]

December 25, celebrated by Christians as the day that Jesus Christ was born

Christmas Eve noun [countable/uncountable]

the day or evening before Christmas Day

enjoy yourself phrasal verb

to get pleasure from an event or experience
I haven't enjoyed myself so much for a long time.

ex- prefix

used with nouns that describe someone's job, rank, or relationship to someone, showing that they do not have that job, rank, or relationship any more
Tony is an ex-boyfriend of Jane's.

fiancé(e) noun [countable]

your fiancé/fiancée is the man/woman you are engaged to and are going to get married to

ghost noun [countable]

the spirit of a dead person that someone sees or hears
Do you believe in ghosts?

invisible adjective

something that is invisible cannot be seen
She had a magic cloak that made her invisible.

kind adjective

behaving in a way that shows you care about other people and want to help them
She was very kind to me when the children were sick.

moneylender noun [countable]

a person or organization that lends money to people, especially at a high rate of interest

novel noun [countable]

a long written story about imaginary or partly imaginary characters and events

spirit noun [singular]

the attitude of people in a group
a spirit of cooperation

treat verb

to behave toward someone in a particular way
She felt she had been unfairly treated, and complained to her boss.

