



**HOT TASK:**

**Write a biography about the life of Charles Dickens.**

Text and author: A Christmas Carol – Charles Dickens  
Purpose: To inform  
Form: Biography  
Audience: Drama production at Christmas and written work displayed

**Capture, Sift and Sort**

Investigate the structure of biographies and how each paragraph is organised. Focus on how adverbs help create cohesion.

**Create, Refine and Evaluate**

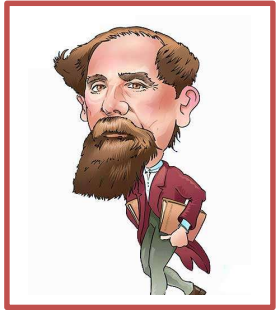
Write together some sections of a fictional biography based on one of the characters from A Christmas Carol. Practise using formal language and the other features discussed and edit work to improve it further.

**Stimulate and Generate:**

Watch clips about Dickens' life. Then split it up into eight sections using chronology and produce a drama for the Christmas production

**Capture, Sift and Sort**

Examples of biographical writing. Look at features, especially focusing on how formal the language is – passive voice.



**Site of application – Writing Flashbacks:**

Write a diary entry as Charles Dickens for one day of his life.

**Stimulate and Generate**

Look at Victorian Britain. Discuss inequality – difference between rich and poor.

