*A Christmas Carol* Take Home Quiz

In order in order to show your analytical skills, please complete the following tasks. Your work should be **typed** using **MLA format (**double-spaced, Times New Roman, size 12 font). Bring a printed copy to class on **Monday 1/11.**

1. Select a quote from the novel that you believe BEST exposes Dickens’ social critique and/or beliefs about society’s problems. Explain **why** this quote BEST exposes his beliefs. (1-2 paragraphs)
2. Describe the novel’s diction. What is the purpose of the diction used in this novel? How does it relate to the meaning of the work as a whole? (2-3 paragraphs
3. Select three symbols from various points in the novel (e.g. one from stave 1, one from stave 3, and one from stave 4; etc). Discuss this symbol’s significance to the meaning of the work as a whole. (1 paragraph for each symbol)
4. Compare and contrast *Oliver Twist* and *A Christmas Carol*. You **may** wish to consider: narrator, characters, tone, theme, etc. You **should NOT** try to write about all four because your response would be too shallow. It would work best to select one or two of the above suggestions. Use evidence from the text to support your analysis. (1-2 pages; your work should be a **full** page, NOT 1 page w/ a header, title, etc taking up half of the paper.)

**General Suggestions**

* NO first or second person (e.g. do NOT use “I believe” or “you might think” etc)
* Do not just answer the question (i.e. do NOT write “The quote that best describes Dickens’ social beliefs is, “…”)
* Use evidence quoted **directly** from the text as much as possible. Do not use any paraphrase.
* Format your work so that your final draft is neat and consistent.
* Follow MLA format.
* Use the analysis chunk format to organize your ideas