

A Christmas Carol

Charles Dickens

Recall:

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What Rainbow Grammar colour do we use for a relative clause?

Why did Dickens use a relative clause?

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Recall: ANSWERS

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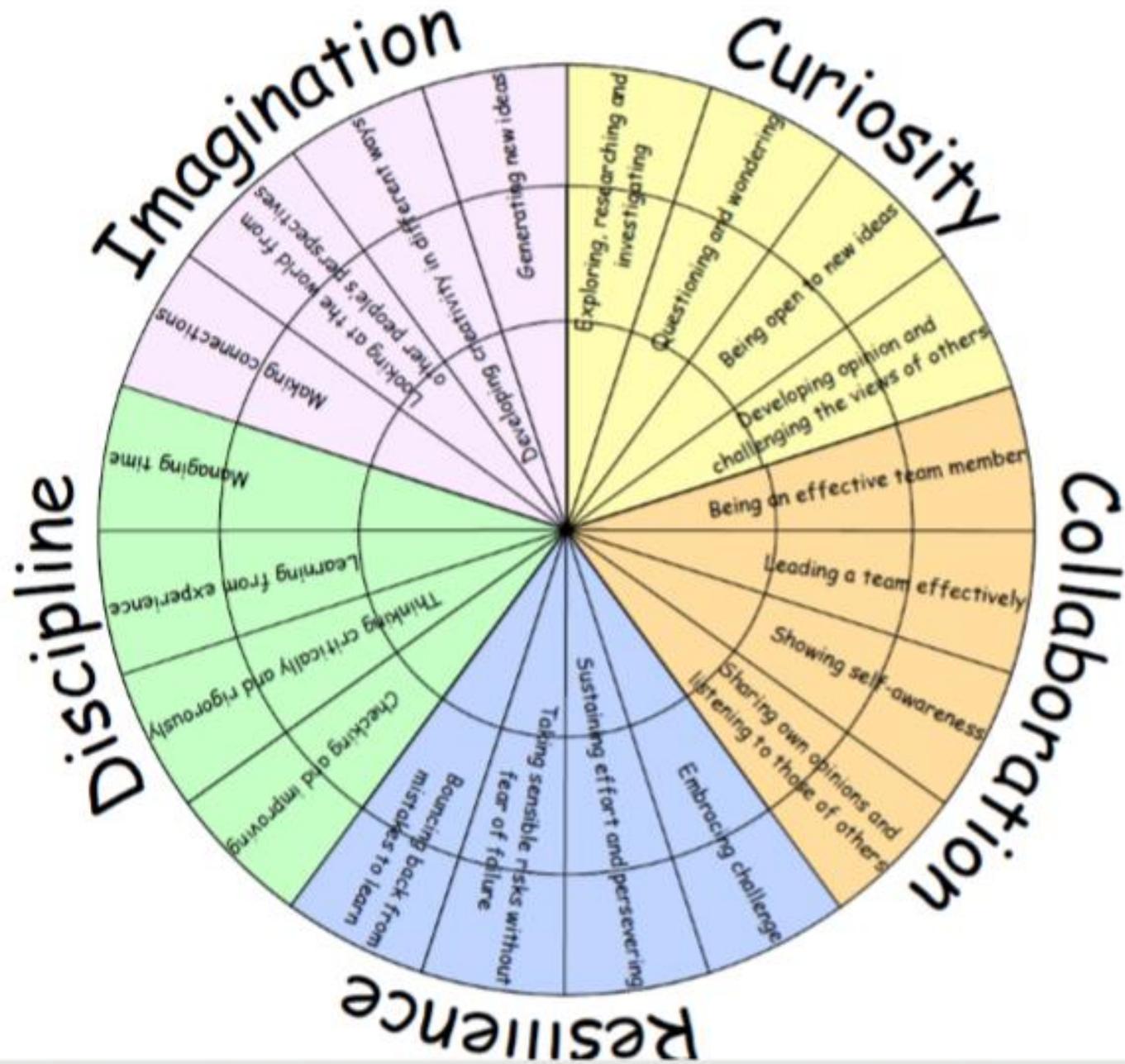
To add extra detail and to make the reader think about Scrooge's behaviour.

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Grammar Giants

LO: use relative clauses

- Some will even experiment with different clauses and their position in the sentence.
- Some will experiment using who, which and that.
- Most will create their own sentence.
- All will complete sentences.



LEARNING HABITS:

Which learning habits do you think we will need to use today?

Identify: relative clause

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Think of where the relative clause is? Write it down on a piece of paper to see on the next slide if you were correct.



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Examine: relative clause - ANSWER

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What's the purpose of this relative clause?

This relative clause is adding extra detail about the ghost. Thanks to this clause, the writer doesn't need to start a new sentence.



Identify: relative clause

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*Think of where the relative clause is?
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Where is this relative clause?



Identify: relative clause -ANSWER

The candle, which is next to Scrooge, is creating a faint light in the dark room.

Where is this relative clause?

This relative clause is in the middle of the sentence. It adds extra detail about the candle.



Identify: relative clause

Scrooge is sitting in his uncomfortable armchair in front of the fireplace, which is ginormous compared to the miniscule fire.

Scrooge is sitting in front of the fireplace, which is ginormous compared to the miniscule fire, and is sitting in an uncomfortable armchair.

Underline relative clauses in the text above and check on the next slide if you were correct.



Identify: relative clause

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Scrooge is sitting in front of the fireplace, which is ginormous compared to the miniscule fire, and is sitting in an uncomfortable armchair.

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The first one focuses on Scrooge first and then describes the fire. It is also shorter and easier to read so the reader can imagine Scrooge better.



Describe what you can see. If you need use this incomplete sentences to help you:

Scrooge is listening to the sounds, which...



Scrooge is listening to the sounds, which remind him of some kind of a chain.

Scrooge is holding a candle, which doesn't give much light.

Answer

Scrooge is listening to the sounds, which...



Describe what you can see. If you need, use these incomplete sentences to help you:

The ghost, which is wearing... , is ...



Describe what you can see. If you need use this incomplete sentences to help you:

Scrooge, who is ... , is ...