(Pick one)

- Storyteller 1 Scrooge lived in chambers which had once belonged to Marley, his deceased partner. They were a gloomy suite of rooms, in a building up a yard, where it had so little business to be, that one could scarcely help fancying it must have run there when it was a young house, playing at hide-and-seek with other houses, and have forgotten the way out again. (Indicates Scrooge's chambers, from which others are removing all form of holiday decoration.) It was old enough now, and dreary enough, for no one lived in it but Scrooge.
- Storyteller 2 Half a dozen gas-lamps out of the street wouldn't have lighted the entry too well, so you may suppose that it was pretty dark. *(the stage darkens)* On Scrooge went, not caring a button for that: darkness is cheap, and Scrooge liked it.