

## Major Works:

- [A Christmas Carol »](#)

Timeless novella about the redemption of a selfish and cold-hearted old man, Ebenezer Scrooge.

- Ghosts, chains, redemption, Christmas, poverty.



- [A Tale of Two Cities »](#)

A history novel telling an intriguing story of love, courage and self-sacrifice during the French Revolution.

- French Revolution, resurrection, sacrifice, resolution.



- [Barnaby Rudge »](#)

Historical novel about the Gordon Riots (1780) that tells a story of individuals caught up in the mindless violence of the mob.

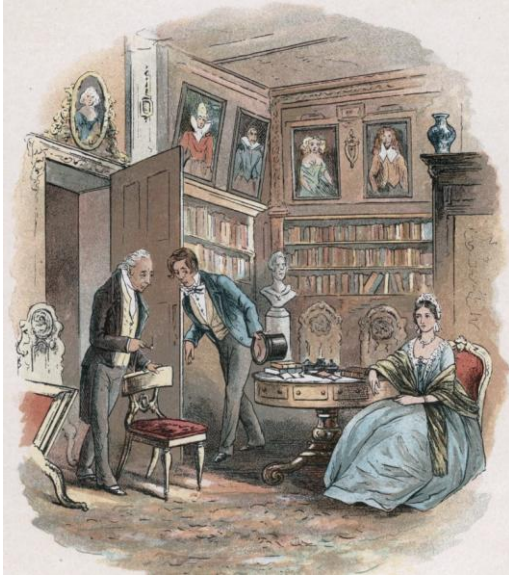
- Gordon Riots, fanaticism, innocence.



- [Bleak House »](#)

A tragic, romantic and complicated story about the inheritance and absurdities of English law in the 1850s.

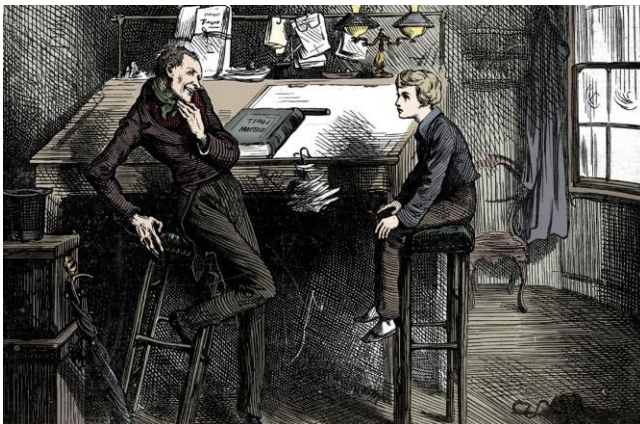
- Law, fog, mud, corrupt court.



- [David Copperfield »](#)

A coming-of-age story about the struggles and obstacles of life that a young man (David Copperfield) must overcome.

- Coming-of-age, identity, growing up, morality.



- [Dombey and Son »](#)

Bittersweet story about Paul Dombey, a wealthy businessman, whose dream is to have a son to continue his business.

- Family, pride, redemption, businessmen, downfall.



- [Great Expectations »](#)

An epic tale that follows its protagonist, a boy named Pip, and charts his progress through life full of unexpected turns.

- Social class, crime, growing up, guilt.

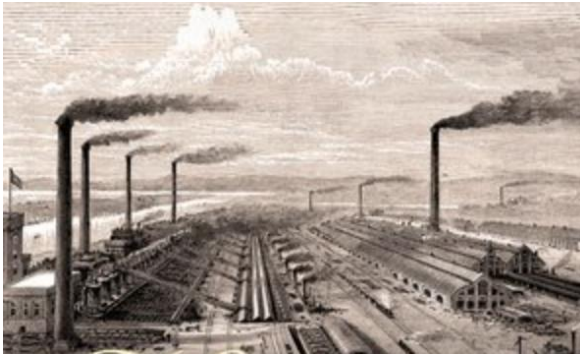




- Hard Times »

Tragic and deeply moving tale portraying a number of different characters and their growth through troubles and trials.

- Fact vs fancy, Industrial Revolution, factories, working class.



- Little Dorrit »

A story about disappointment and a satire on the shortcomings of the government and society.

- Poverty, society, prison.



- Martin Chuzzlewit »

The Life and Adventures of Martin Chuzzlewit is a brilliant satire on selfishness and hypocrisy revolving around a stubborn young protagonist.

- Family, selfishness, hypocrisy, busybodies.



- [Nicholas Nickleby »](#)

Story of a young man (Nicholas Nickleby) and his family that is faced with hardships and trying times.

- Heart, world, home, wedding, greed.



- [Oliver Twist »](#)

Classic novel that tells a story of injustice and hope through the eyes of an orphaned boy who escapes to London.

- Workhouse, children, poverty, theft.



- [Our Mutual Friend »](#)  
Murder-mystery novel focusing on money and its effect on the intriguing characters. Satiric masterpiece.
- Love affairs, corruption, betrayal, boat.



- [The Mystery of Edwin Drood »](#)  
An unsolved mystery novel (Dickens died before completing the story, leaving the mystery unsolved).
- Mystery, obsession, detective, unrequited love.



- [The Old Curiosity Shop »](#)

A story of a Little Nell, who lives with her unhappy grandfather in his shop of curiosities.

- Antiques, knick-knacks, shop front, family love.



- [The Pickwick Papers »](#)

A humorous novel revolving around a small group of characters that get into all sorts of trouble.

- The Pickwick Club, adventure, friendship, trouble, countryside.



## **Novellas & Short Stories:**

- [A Holiday Romance »](#)  
*Charming four short stories presented through the point of view of four children.*
- [A Message From the Sea »](#)  
*Nautical adventure and mystery story that begins with a message in a bottle...*
- [Doctor Marigold »](#)  
*Short story about a street peddler who finds happiness with his adopted deaf-mute daughter.*
- [George Silvermans Explanation »](#)  
*A short story about a man writing about his unfulfilled life.*
- [Hunted Down »](#)  
*Detective short story revolving around poisoning and life-insurance fraud.*
- [Master Humphrey's Clock »](#)  
*A story of a lonely man who decides to start a club, where the members would read out their stories to others.*
- [Mrs. Lirriper's Legacy »](#)  
*A short story of how Mrs. Lirriper and her friend send stories to her son at school.*
- [Mrs. Lirriper's Lodgings »](#)  
*A short story first published in 1863 in All the Year Round magazine.*
- [Mudfog and Other Sketches »](#)  
*Collection of short stories - Public Life Of Mr. Tulrumbles, The First Meeting of Mudfog, The Pantomime of Life, A Lion...*
- [Mugby Junction »](#)  
*Collection of short tales revolving around a Victorian railway station.*
- [Reprinted Pieces »](#)  
*Collection of short stories - The Long Voyage, The Begging-Letter*



Writer, *A Child's Dream of a Star*, *Our English Watering-Place...*

- [Sketches by Boz »](#)  
*Rich collection of short pieces presenting a variety of scenes and characters.*
- [Sketches of Young Couples »](#)  
*Collection of short stories focusing on couples. A parody of social relations between the sexes.*
- [Sketches of Young Gentlemen »](#)  
*Sarcastic and humorous work describing various types of Victorian young gentlemen - dedicated to the young ladies.*
- [Some Short Christmas Stories »](#)  
*Collection of Christmas Stories - A Christmas Tree, The Child's Story, The Schoolboy's Story, Nobody's Story, The Poor Relation's Story...*
- [Somebody's Luggage »](#)  
*Story about a waiter who stumbles upon some luggage and tries to identify its owner.*
- [Sunday Under Three Heads »](#)  
*A political tract that was written as a protest against a law that would prohibit all work and all recreation on Sunday.*
- [The Battle of Life »](#)  
*A novella published in 1846 as one of the Christmas stories, portraying the struggles of daily lives.*
- [The Chimes »](#)  
*A Christmas morality tale about self-respect and the consequences of the choices we make.*
- [The Cricket on the Hearth »](#)  
*A heartwarming Christmas fable telling a story of John Peerybingle and his much younger wife Dot.*
- [The Haunted House »](#)  
*A short ghost story set in a deserted haunted house.*

- [\*The Haunted Man and the Ghost's Bargain »\*](#)  
*The last novella in Dickens' Christmas series tells a story of Professor Redlaw, who is haunted by his ghostly twin.*
- [\*The Holly Tree »\*](#)  
*A warm short story that focuses on romance and the baggage that comes with it.*
- [\*The Lamplighter »\*](#)  
*A farce in one act revolving around the lamplighter.*
- [\*The Lazy Tour of Two Idle Apprentices »\*](#)  
*Humorous narrative of two idle apprentices running away from their employer.*
- [\*The Perils of Certain English Prisoners »\*](#)  
*An adventure story of kidnapping and pirates set in Central America.*
- [\*The Seven Poor Travellers »\*](#)  
*A short war story told on Christmas Eve with lessons of kindness and forgiveness.*
- [\*The Signal Man »\*](#)  
*A ghostly thriller revolving around a railway worker with supernatural visions.*
- [\*The Trial For Murder »\*](#)  
*Short story of a bored bank official, who is haunted by a vengeful ghost.*
- [\*The Wreck of the Golden Mary »\*](#)  
*A short story about a terrifying ordeal of the passengers when the ship Golden Mary collides with an iceberg.*
- [\*To Be Read At Dusk »\*](#)  
*A short ghost story told from the point of view of an eavesdropper.*
- [\*Tom Tiddler's Ground »\*](#)  
*A short story exploring hermitage existence.*