



# The question is... ...on the screen

Charles Dickens' novels and characters have inspired countless TV and film adaptations. Have a go at our fiendish film and TV quiz to see how much you know!

1. Who played Ebenezer Scrooge in *A Muppet Christmas Carol*?
2. What 1968 film features the popular song *Food Glorious Food*?
3. Complete the title of the 2020 Dickens film *The Personal History of.....*?
4. How many BBC adaptations have there been of Dickens' novels?
5. Which actor has **not** played Charles Dickens on screen?  
a) Derek Jacobi b) Simon Callow c) Colin Firth or d) Ralph Fiennes?
6. The film *The Invisible Woman* is about which 'other woman' in Dickens' life?
7. The BBC adaptation *The Man Who Invented Christmas* is about which famous seasonal story?
8. In which year was the first silent Dickens film made? a) 1909 b) 1923 or c) 1930?
9. In the 1830s, which London theatre first adapted Dickens' work for the stage?
10. Who directed the 1946 film version of *Great Expectations* starring John Mills as Pip?  
a) David Lean b) Alberto Cavalcanti or c) Lionel Bart?
11. Which former *X Files* actress starred in the 2005 TV adaptation of *Bleak House* as Lady Dedlock?
12. The BBC's 1999 adaptation of *David Copperfield* had a star studded cast with Bob Hoskins, Maggie Smith, and Ian McKellen. It was the first child role for a famous wizard actor. Who was it?



13. The BBC's 2008 *Little Dorrit* was nominated for many awards for its lavish costume and production designs. Which famous Italian water city did it have to recreate?
  14. Complete the title of this song from the 1970 musical *Scrooge*. 'I hate.....'
  15. In which year did Disney adapt *A Christmas Carol* with Jim Carrey voicing Scrooge?
  16. The 1988 film *Scrooged* featured a song performed by Annie Lennox and Bill Murray. What was the song called?
  17. The 2016 BBC series *Dickensian* was about what?  
a) Characters from Dickens living in a Victorian neighbourhood b) the poor in a Victorian workhouse or c) collectable items from Victorian times?
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**The following questions are all about actors who have played Dickens characters on screen. Name the character they famously played.**

18. Jean Simmons
19. Oliver Reed
20. Tilda Swinton
21. Nicholas Lyndhurst
22. Dirk Bogarde
23. Anna Friel
24. Which famous puppet played Charles Dickens himself in a film version of *A Christmas Carol*?
25. Which actor has **not** played Ebenezer Scrooge in *A Christmas Carol*?  
a) Alastair Sim b) Tom Hardy c) Albert Finney or d) Guy Pearce?
26. Which of these actresses has played Estella in *Great Expectations*?  
a) Cate Blanchett b) Helena Bonham Carter c) Gwyneth Paltrow or d) Scarlett Johansson?
27. The BBC's 2019 adaptation of *A Christmas Carol* was written by Stephen Knight. Which successful 1920s gangster show has he adapted?
28. True or false? Derek Jacobi played Nell's grandfather in *The Old Curiosity Shop*.
29. True or false? Patrick Stewart has performed in the Old Vic stage version of *A Christmas Carol*.

