**AO1 Base Test: Identify and interpret explicit and implicit information and ideas and select and synthesise evidence from different texts.**

Read the short extract below taken from *A Christmas Carol* by Charles Dickens and choose four statements that are true.

Oh! But he was a tight-fisted hand at the grindstone, Scrooge! a squeezing, wrenching, grasping, scraping, clutching, covetous, old sinner! Hard and sharp as flint, from which no steel had ever struck out generous fire; secret, and self-contained, and solitary as an oyster.

Choose four statements below that are TRUE.

* Shade the boxes of the ones that you think are true
* Choose a maximum of four statements
* Add a supporting textual detail in the space provided for your chosen four

1. **Scrooge was a kind old man ……………………………………………………**
2. **Scrooge was a miserable man ……………………………………………………**
3. **Scrooge was mean with his money ……………………………………………………**
4. **Scrooge was a popular man ……………………………………………………**
5. **Scrooge liked being with people ……………………………………………………**
6. **Scrooge liked being alone ……………………………………………………**
7. **Scrooge was generous ……………………………………………………**

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