

Writing Through Literature
Week 12 Homework

- 1) Read *A Christmas Carol* by Charles Dickens. <http://www.stormfax.com/dickens.htm>
- 2) Create a thesis statement for an essay on *A Christmas Carol* using the thesis statement form posted on the website.
- 3) Create an outline for the essay using the outline form posted on the website.
Note: You need to keep a copy of your outline, as you will be using it for your homework next week.

4) Poetry

Go to a noisy, busy place. Close your eyes and imagine you are blind. For fifteen minutes, listen to the sounds around you. Write down the descriptions. Find words that recreate the sounds. Aim for at least 15 sounds.

5) Vocabulary

- Destitute—extremely poor
- Genial—friendly and cheerful
- Opaque—impossible to see through
- Scrutinize—to examine very carefully
- Stagnant—showing no activity; dull and sluggish