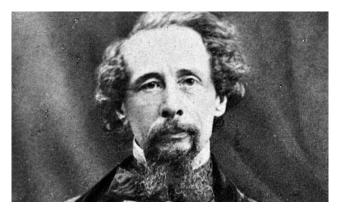
## **Charles Dickens**



Charles Dickens is one of Britain's most famous writers. He was born on February  $7^{th}$  1812 and died on  $9^{th}$  June 1970. His books are characterised by a humorous tone and a concern for social reform.

His most famous novels include 'Oliver Twist', 'A Tale of Two Cities', 'Bleak House', 'Great Expectations' and 'A Christmas Carol'. 'A Christmas Carol' is a story about a man called Scrooge who is very unpleasant and doesn't believe in the importance of Christmas. He is visited by a number of ghosts who convince him of the need to become a better person.

*There have been over 200 film and TV adaptations of his work and his books have never gone out of print.* 

In 2012 the UK celebrated Dickens' bicentenary. He is buried in Westminster Abbey and a celebration was held there to remember his life and works. Prince Charles laid flowers on his grave and events took place across the country to celebrate Dickens' wonderful books and unforgettable characters.



Here you can see Prínce Charles putting flowers on Charles Díckens' grave.