**A Christmas Carol**

(Mini-research Project)

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| **Learning Target** | **Evidence for how I demonstrated meeting the target** |
| RI 8.2:  I can objectively summarize informational text. |  |
| RI 8.3:  I can analyze connections and differences between individuals, events and ideas. |  |
| RI 8.7: I can evaluate advantages and disadvantages of using different mediums to present an idea. |  |
| Writing: W.8.1:  I can introduce and organize a topic clearly using formatting and multimedia to aid comprehension and engage my audience. |  |

Possible Topics: Choose one topic to research over the next three days in class.

The Life of Charles Dickens

                Childhood

                As an adult and his death

                Famous works

(There’s a great cartoon of Dickens’ life at <http://www.bbc.co.uk/drama/bleakhouse/animation.shtal>)

The Industrial Revolution in England

                Child Labor

                Factories

                The City (Pollution)

Working Class Life in Victorian England

                Poverty/Economy

                Wages

                Dwellings

Institutions

                Almshouse/Workhouse

                Poor Laws – Reform of the Poor Laws

                Debtors Prison

                Treadmill

How will I demonstrate my knowledge of the topic, focusing on the writing standard?