

A Christmas Carol: Figurative Hunt Answer Key

Similes:

- *"Old Marley was as dead as a door-nail."* → Direct comparison using "as," showing certainty of Marley's death.
- *"...candles were flaring in the windows... like ruddy smears upon the palpable brown air."* → Comparison of candlelight to smears of color.

Metaphor:

- *"Darkness is cheap, and Scrooge liked it."* → Darkness equated with stinginess; it represents Scrooge's miserly nature.

Personification:

- *"Candles were flaring in the windows..."* → The candles are given human-like action ("flaring").
- *"...palpable brown air."* → Air described as if it were a physical object you could touch.