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他对自己是否具备此能力几乎不怀任何信心。为了避免遭受他人的愚弄和嘲笑，他的第一份稿件是等到深夜才悄悄地投寄出去的。遭遇了一次又一次的退稿后，终于有一份稿件被录用了。没有稿费，但他的作品受到一名编辑的赞扬。那份发表的稿件使他获得认可，并改变了他的一生。如果不是因为那名编辑的鼓励，他这一辈子也许都将在耗子滋生的工厂里度过。你可能已经听说过这个男孩了，他写下的许多书使孩子们与穷人的待遇得到极大改善。他叫查尔斯狄更斯，《圣诞颂歌》即出自他的手笔。

1) lad [lAd] n. 少年，青年男子  
2) languish [5lANgwiF] v. 憔悴  
3) pang [pAN] n. 剧痛，悲痛  
4) gnaw [nC:] v. 折磨，侵蚀  
5) blacking [5blAkiN] n. 黑色鞋油  
6) grim [grim] a. 严酷的，讨厌的  
7) rat-infested [rAt-in5festid] a. 老鼠滋生的  
8) warehouse [5wZE-haus] n. 仓库  
9) dismal [5dizmEI] a. 阴沉的，使人消沉的  
10) attic [5Atik] n. 阁楼  
11) urchin [5E:tFin] n. 顽童  
12) schooling [5sku:liN] n. 学校教育  
13) jeering [5dViEriN] a. 嘲弄的  
14) sneak [sni:k] v. 鬼鬼祟祟地做事  
15) manuscript [5mAnjuskript] n. 手稿，原稿  
16) carol [5kArEI] n. 颂歌

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