



Charles Dickens

Charles Dickens was a famous British writer.

Early Life

- Charles was born in 1812 in Portsmouth, England.
- He had seven brothers and sisters.
- He had to work in a factory at the age of 12.

Later Life

- He gave readings of his stories to raise money for charities.
- He wanted to make people aware of the terrible working conditions that children had to put up with.
- He died in 1870.

His Work



- Charles got his first writing job when he began working for a newspaper.
- He wrote funny stories called The Pickwick Papers. They were printed each month and were very popular.
- The first part of his novel 'Oliver Twist' was published in 1837.
- It is thought that some of the characters in Charles' books were based on people he really knew.
- He also enjoyed performing and acting.

Charles wrote lots of other stories. His most well-known novels include:

- Great Expectations
- A Christmas Carol

Did You Know...?

Charles had a pet raven called Grip.

