**Dickens’s Life**

* He was poor when he was a child.
* When his father John Dickens gets arrested for not paying a dept, he worked for a blacking or shoe-polishing factory.
* While he was working there, he met Bob Fagin. He used Fagin for a name in Oliver Twist.
* When his father was sent to prison, the prison that he was sent to became one of the settings of the book “Little Dorrit”.
* The two years he spent at the shoe factory forged much of the materials for his later novels.

**Who he married?**

* He married Catherine Hogarth.
* They met when they were both working for the *Morning Chronicle.* They had ten children.
* In 1858, they were legally separated because he met Ellen Ternan. She became his companion till his death.
* When he met Ellen Ternan she was 18 and he was in his forties.

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