For each of the character descriptions (taken from the chapter ‘The Funeral of Mrs Drablow’) write about the effect of the description. An example has been completed to help you.

- ‘...her eyes seemed sunken back into her head’
- ‘... dressed in deepest black, in the style of full mourning that had rather gone out of fashion’
- ‘... she was suffering from some terrible wasting disease’
- ‘... quite alone’
- ‘... very erect and still’
- ‘... only the thinnest layer of flesh was tautly stretched and strained across her bones’
- ‘Her appearance ... was so pathetically wasted, so pale and gaunt with disease ...’

Effect: Black symbolises death and darkness. Her dated dress suggests that she is a ghost and not part of the modern world, reinforcing how separated she is from her environment.