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When I walked into the living room, there was a copy of the real piano which Charles Dickens actually played on. There is a table ^{with} fruit and wine and cigars because in the Victorian times they didn't know it was bad for you. On the big tall wall, there was an old dusty mirror that had scratches on. In a glass box, there was Charles's writing chair which he sat on and wrote Oliver Twist (one of my favorite books), Nicholas Nickleby and a part of Pickwick papers. In front of the big window, there is a ~~big~~ ^{big} soft sofa.

In Charles Dickens' bedroom, there is a bed with a red velvet cover and white pillows that were stuffed very well. Charles Dickens and his wife would sleep in the bed. The bed had curtains because it was very cold so when they shut the curtains the cold can't come in. Next to the bed, there was a little wooden toilet which had a flap at the top which you can open and close: it was called a commode. You would put a bucket underneath and then the servants would come and clean it out. I would not like to be that servant! There was a fire place which would keep the room warm because there were no radiators. In front of the fire, there was a little bath tub where servants would come and wash Charles Dickens with water. Which sounds weird but that's what they did.