**Humorous Poems: “Father William” and “Sarah Cynthia Sylvia Stout”**

Read pages 687- 693 and answer the following questions. **Remember to read the poems out loud and more than once**. You may work with a partner.

**Preparing to Read:**

1. An exaggeration is\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Complete each sentence with the correct vocabulary word from page 687

1. The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ flowers had limp petals.
2. The noisy dog barked\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
3. The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ cheese attracted flies.
4. The young tree was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and bend in the wind.

**Meet the writers:**

1. What two famous books did Lewis Carroll write?
2. Where did Shel Silverstein grow up?

**Father William:**

1. What does father William´s son want to know?
2. How does father William answer his son´s questions?
3. Give two examples of exaggeration from the poem:
4. When his son tells Father William, “You are old,” is he being disrespectful, or does he admire his father? Explain using examples from the poem.

**Sarah Cynthia Sylvia Stout**

1. Why do Sara Cynthia´s neighbors move away?
2. Give two examples of exaggerations in this poem.
3. What makes this poem funny? Give examples.
4. In the poem it says “Poor Sarah met and awful fate, That I cannot right now relate.” What do you think happened to Sarah?

**Homework: On a blank piece of paper, write a humorous description of a person or an object from you daily life. YOU MAY NOT WRITE ABOUT ANY OTHER STUDENT! You description should be at least one paragraph long (Five sentences) and must include exaggeration. Extra points will be giving if you write you description as a rhyming poem.**