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**Class: VII Subject: English Topic: Colonel Fazackerly**

## **Butterworth-Toast**

### **About the poem**

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- B. 1. a) The Colonel invited the ghost to the house-warming party as he was not afraid of him.  
b) The Colonel was feeling weak because he laughed so much.  
c) Colonel had tears of happiness.

2. a) 'he' in the above lines is ghost.  
b) chains, bones  
c) He is rattling his chains and clattering his bones to scare off the Colonel. However, the Colonel is not afraid of him.

3. a) The word 'encore' means to act out or to entertain some more since the Colonel enjoyed his time with the ghost. The Colonel said this to ghost because he was rattling his chains, clattering his bones, mumbling, and moaning.  
b) The ghost vanished as all his attempts to frighten the Colonel failed.  
c) He was not afraid of ghosts because he found the actions of the ghosts amusing instead of scary.

- C. 1. Colonel after putting down his glass of wine asked the ghost how he is able to flash and flare and come out of the chimney and if he is going to a Fancy Dress Ball.  
2. Colonel was very calm and curious about the ghost upon his encounter with the ghost.  
3. Colonel thought that the ghost was going to a ball because he had a furious flash and a flare.  
4. Ghost's efforts go in vain because whenever he tried to frighten the Colonel, he would in turn get more curious and would try to indulge in a friendly conversation with the ghost.  
5. Colonel was unhappy because he did not know the ghost's name and can never meet him ever again.  
6. The Colonel was interrupted by the ghost. It's only after the ghost had left he could resume his dinner. Hence, no he couldn't finish his dinner.  
7. The inquisitive questions asked by the Colonel including whether he was going to a Fancy Dress

Ball or would like to come to his housewarming party made the encounter comic. Moreover, the ghost's futile attempt to scare the Colonel by flashing, flaring, mumbling, and even moaning made it even more humorous.

8. The last two lines of the poem depict the Colonel's unbothered attitude with reference to the appearance of the ghost in his castle. The smile indicated the amusing time that he had had with the ghost.