

**“Warren Pryor” Questions**

1. What did Warren’s parents do for a living? How would you describe the financial status of the Pryor family? Use evidence from the poem to support your answer.
2. The speaker of this poem is telling a story about a son and his parents. What do the parents want (or not want) for their son? Use evidence from the poem to support your answer.
3. What kind of job does Warren have later in the poem? Explain how he feels about his new job. Use evidence from the poem to support your answer.
4. Situational irony occurs when what happens is the opposite of what is expected. Explain the situational irony of “Warren Pryor”.
5. How would you describe Warren Pryor?
6. What is the poet attempting to say? What insight, truth, or life lesson emerges from the poem? (think: theme statement)