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***Frankenstein***  
**Chpts. 7 & 8: Reading Guide**

**I. Vocabulary:** Be able to define the following words and understand them when they appear in the novel. Also, be prepared to be quizzed on these words.

**tempest:** storm

**dirge:** funeral song / song of mourning

**garb:** clothes

**exculpate:** free from blame / find innocent                      ex (out) + culp (blame)

**execrate:** despise / hate

**wanton:** causing harm or damage for no reason

**timorous:** fearful

**approbation:** approval

**indignation:** anger over something unjust

**perdition:** hell

**II. Questions:** answer the following questions while you read to check your comprehension.

**Chpt. 7**

1. If Victor's father hadn't written Victor anything but a few lines, how would that have been a cruel kindness?
2. What did Victor's father find at five o'clock in the morning?
3. Why does Elizabeth exclaim "I have murdered my darling child!"?
4. Describe Victor's journey back home.
5. Where did Victor decide he needed to visit?
6. Who does Victor see while watching the storm come in?

7. Who does Victor think must have killed William?
8. How many years has Victor been away from home?
9. How many years has it been since Victor animated his creature?
10. What reasons does Victor give for why he won't tell others who killed William?
11. Who greets Victor when he arrives at home?
12. Who is accused of being the murderer?
13. Why was this person accused? What was the evidence?

### **Chpt. 8**

14. What does Victor say he would do a thousand times?
15. What evidence was used against Justine?
16. When Justine was asked where she spent the night, what was her answer?
17. How did the witnesses who spoke on Justine's character act?
18. After Elizabeth spoke in court, what was the reaction of the public?
19. Once Victor sees that most people are going to condemn Justine, what does he do?
20. What did Justine do that comes as a shock to Victor and Elizabeth?
21. What request does Justine make?
22. Why did Justine confess?