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It was the Fifth Friday Lockdown
Lunchtime news on BBC Wales
Welsh First Minister stands alarmingly erect at the podium
Pronouncing the Assembly Government's great new Plan.

Presenting from his notes in slow, steady mono-syll-a-bles
Moving slowly from syllable to syllable, word to word. De-lib-er-ately.
Delivering polysyllabic words with staggering, unattractive emphasis.

Emerging. What is the Plan for Wales's post- Covid future?
Feel safe. Failsafe. Seven questions proffered to the broadcast screens
Standing by, an audience of journalists each poised to interrogate
Interrogator One, Two, Three, and More...

Manila coloured, superficial questions posed slowly and with great intent
Interruptions, there were none
No dialogical critiques extorted. So, so disappointing. Unexpected ...
Unbending repetition kept this listener none the wiser.

Welsh Government's Great New Plan staged Newsworthy?
Not likely, mere hyperbole. No more News for me.
My mind made up, unplugged TV.
Vital Plan Switched Off, you see.

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