Class-X

English

First Flight

Poem - 3



A Tiger in the Zoo

LESLIE NORRIS

Explanation

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Repetition Oxymoron

stalks : चलना

vivid : चमकीला रंग

rage: गुस्सा





He stalks in his vivid stripes A

The few steps of his cage, B

On pads of velvet quiet, C

In his quiet rage. B

RHYME SCHEME-ABCB

PERSONIFICATION-

ENJAMBMENT-

ALLITERATION-

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lurking : छुपना

plump : मोटा ताजा

He should be lurking in shadow, A

Sliding through long grass B

Near the water hole, C

Where plump deer pass. B



Imagery

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snarling : गुर्राना

Baring : दिखाना

fangs: लम्बे तीखे दाँत

He should be snarling around houses
At the jungle's edge,
Baring his white fangs, his claws,
Terrorising the village!



Onomatopoeia
Sound word

concrete : ठोस / मजबूत

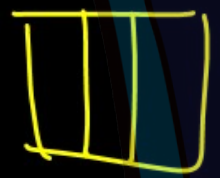
Cell : जेल

But he's locked in a concrete cell,

His strength behind bars,

Stalking the length of his cage,

Ignoring visitors.



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He hears the last voice at night,
The patrolling cars,
And stares with his brilliant eyes
At the brilliant stars.

