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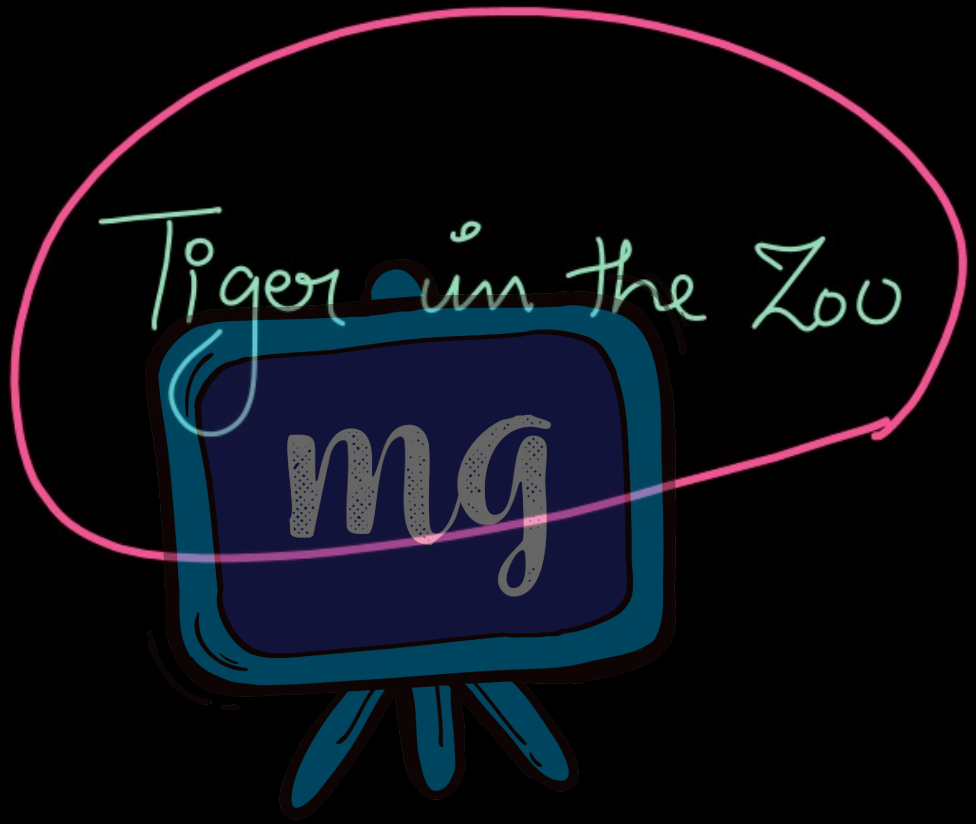
TIGER IN THE ZOO



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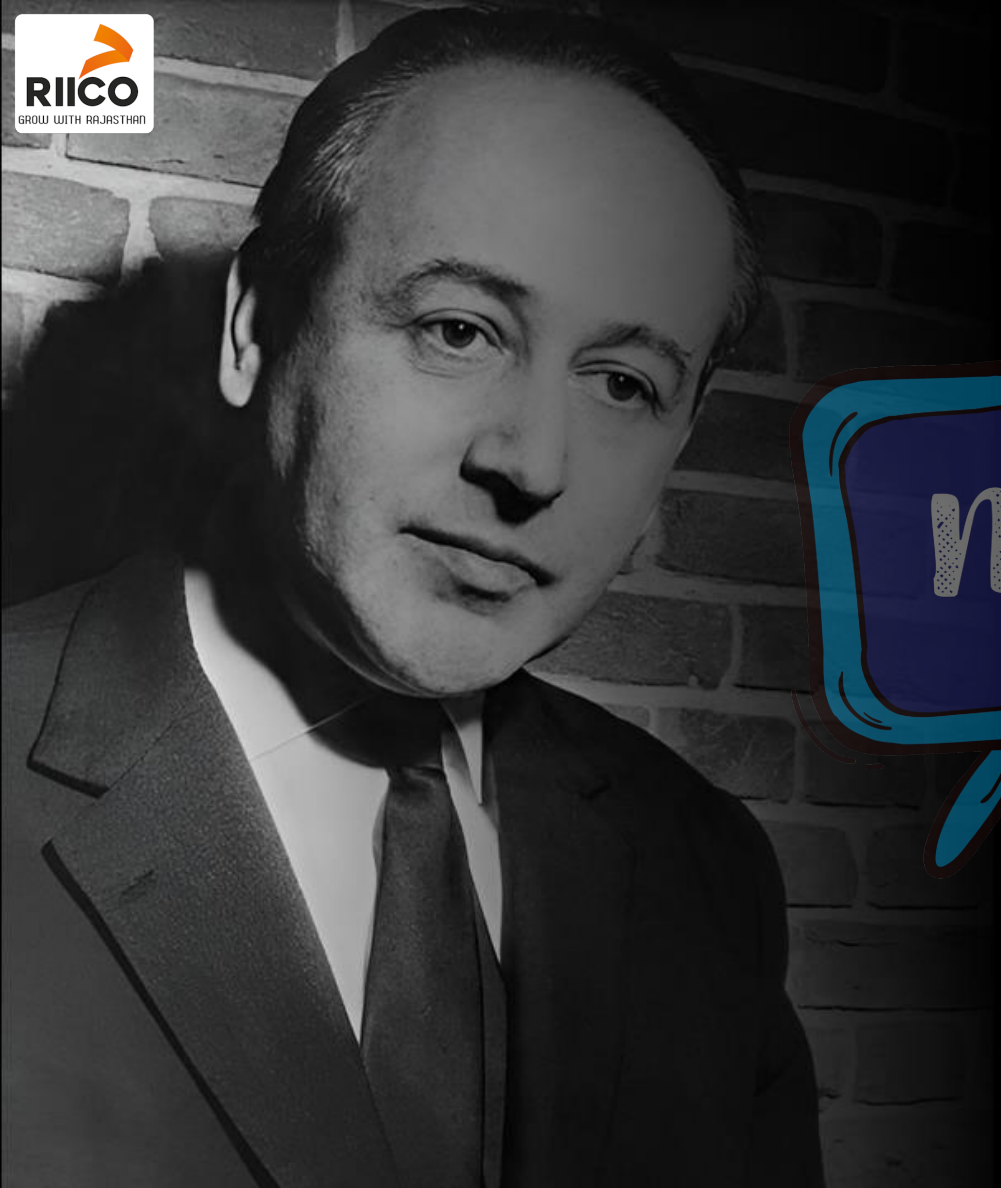
George Leslie Norris, was a prize-winning Welsh poet and short story writer.

~ Leslie Norris

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LESLIE
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captive

Tiger in the Zoo

The poem compares a captive tiger in a zoo cage with a free tiger in the jungle. It highlights the cruelty of trapping wild animals and their longing for freedom


quiet
rage ?
anger
cage
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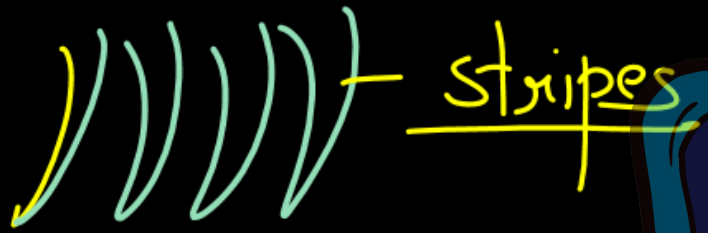
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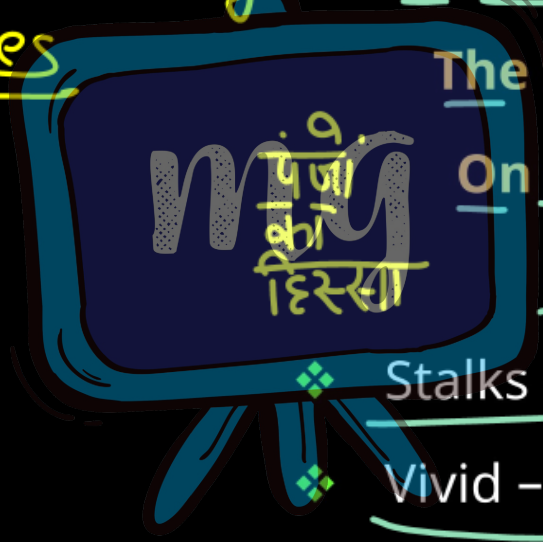
Tiger – He stalks in his vivid stripes

The few steps of his cage, पिंजरा

On pads of velvet quiet, शांत

In his quiet rage. गुस्सा





- Stalks – चलना (शिकार की तलाश)
- Vivid – चमकीले / स्पष्ट
- Pads – पंजे के गद्देदार हिस्से
- Quiet rage – शांत गुस्सा

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STANZA : 2

Tiger — He should be lurking in shadow,
Sliding through long grass
Near the water hole
Where plump deer pass.

- Lurking – छिपकर बैठना (घात लगाकर)
- Sliding – चुपचाप सरकना / फिसलना
- Water hole – पानी का कुंड जहाँ जानवर पानी पीने आते हैं
- Plump – मोटे-ताजे / गोल-मटोल

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Reality

Statement 1

Statement 2

cage

stalk

quiet

quiet rage

lurking

sliding

deer



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STANZA : 3

He should be snarling around houses

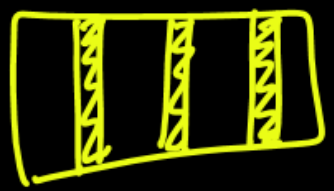
At the jungle's edge,

Baring his white fangs, his claws,

Terrorising the village!

- Snarling – गुर्राना
- Edge – किनारा/सीमा
- Baring – दिखाना/खोलना (दांत या पंजे बाहर करना)
- Fangs – नुकीले लंबे दांत
- Claws – पंजे/नाखून
- Terrorising – आतंकित करना

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STANZA : 4

But he's locked in a concrete cell,
His strength behind bars,
Stalking the length of his cage,
Ignoring visitors.

- Concrete cell – सिमेंट की कोठरी / पिंजरा
- Strength – ताकत / शक्ति
- Stalking – चलना / चक्कर काटना
- Ignoring – अनदेखा करना

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THEMES



- Captivity vs. Freedom
- The Cruelty of Zoos
- Loss of Natural Power
- Nature vs. Concrete World

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Stanza	Summary
1.	cage – stalk – quiet
2.	चीते – snarling / lurking deer – water hole
3.	चीते – terrorise villagers baring claws / Fangs
4.	ignore – strength
5.	pat -- cars, eyes — stars



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STANZA : 5

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

- Patrolling cars – पुलिस या सुरक्षा की गाड़ियाँ
- Stares – टकटकी लगाकर देखना
- Brilliant – चमकीले

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POETIC DEVICES

cage (a)
Stripes (b)
quiet (c)
rage (a)

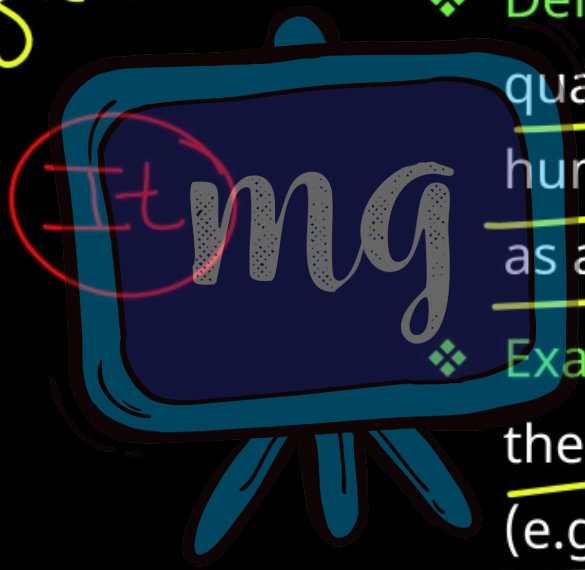
1. Rhyme Scheme

- Definition : The pattern of sounds at the end of lines in each stanza.
- Example : Throughout the poem, the rhyme scheme follows abcb (for example: cage [a], stripes [b], quiet [c], rage [b] in Stanza 1).

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2. Personification

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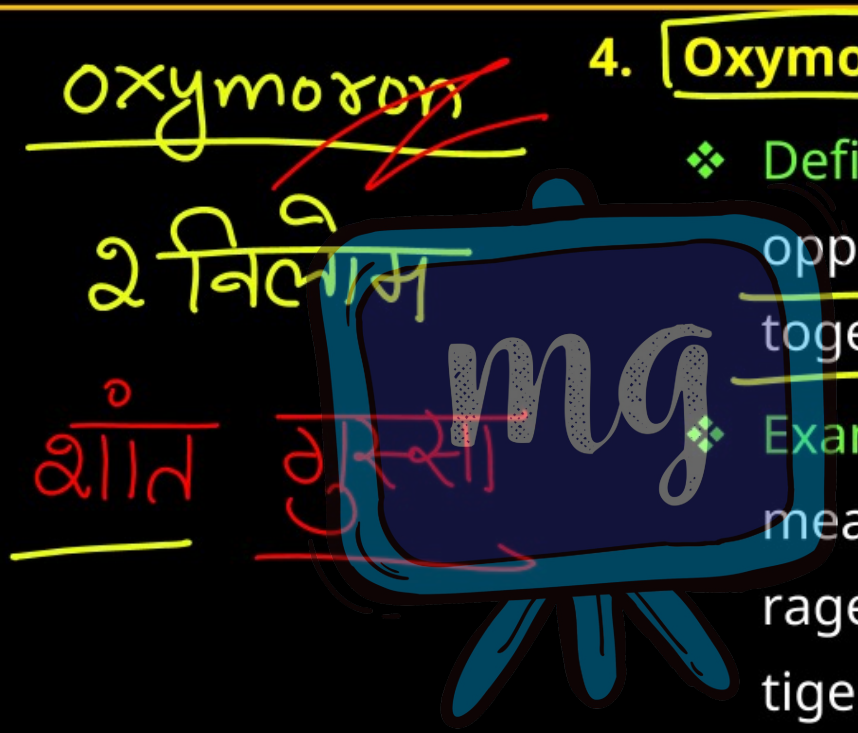
- Definition : Giving human qualities or treating a non-human thing (like an animal) as a person.
- Example : The poet refers to the tiger as "**he**" instead of "it" (e.g., "He stalks in his vivid stripes"), giving him human-like thoughts and dignity.

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3. Metaphor



- Definition : Direct comparison between two unrelated things without using "like" or "as".
- Example : "Pads of velvet quiet" compares the soft, soundless paws of the tiger directly to velvet.



4. Oxymoron

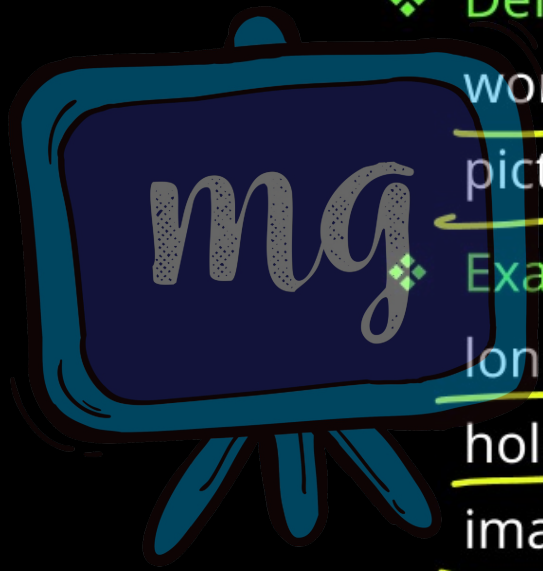
- Definition : Putting two opposite words or ideas together for effect.
- Example : **"Quiet rage"**—quiet means silent and calm, while rage means intense anger. The tiger is silently furious about being caged.

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5. Imagery

Image

- Definition : Using descriptive words to create mental pictures for the reader.
- Example : "Sliding through long grass/Near the water hole" creates a clear visual image of a tiger hunting in the wild.



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6. Alliteration

he hears

plump pass

- Definition : The repetition of a consonant sound at the start of nearby words.
- Example :
  - "h**is hears"* (repetition of the 'h' sound)
  - "b**ehind bars"* (repetition of the 'b' sound)
  - "p**lump pass"* (repetition of the 'p' sound)

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7. Repetition



- Definition : Repeating a word or phrase to stress a point or feeling.
- Example : The word "brilliant" is repeated in the last stanza ("brilliant eyes / At the brilliant stars") to show the sharp contrast between his glowing eyes and the bright night sky.

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8. Enjambment

- Definition : When a sentence continues to the next line without any punctuation mark (comma or full stop).
- Example :
  - "He should be lurking in shadow, Sliding through long grass"

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1. What does the expression "pads of velvet quiet" mean in the poem?

A. The tiger is wearing soft shoes

B. The tiger's paws are soft like velvet and make no sound when he walks

C. The cage floor is covered in velvet

D. The tiger is sleeping quietly on a soft mat

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2. Which literary device is used in the phrase "quiet rage"?

A. Simile

B. Metaphor

C. Oxymoron

D. Personification

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3. Why does the tiger stare at the "brilliant stars" with his "brilliant eyes" at night?

A. He is admiring the beauty of the night sky

B. He is hoping someone will rescue him from the cage

C. He is searching for other tigers in the sky

D. He feels trapped and helpless, dreaming of freedom in the open world

TIGER IN THE ZOO

4. Where should the tiger be, according to his natural instincts?

A. Sitting near the visitor's area

B. Sleeping in a concrete cell

C. Lurking in the shadow near a water hole in the jungle

D. Walking on the main road of the village

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5. What is the tiger's attitude towards the visitors in the zoo?

A. He tries to scare them by snarling

B. He plays with them through the bars

C. He ignores them

D. He asks them for food

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1. What does the tiger do inside his cage in the zoo?



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   Answer : The tiger walks back and forth in his small cage on his soft paws, showing his quiet anger and ignoring the visitors.

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2. How does the tiger behave when he is in the jungle?



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2. How does the tiger behave when he is in the jungle?

Answer : In the jungle, he hides in the long grass near a water hole to catch deer and scares the villagers by showing his sharp teeth and claws.

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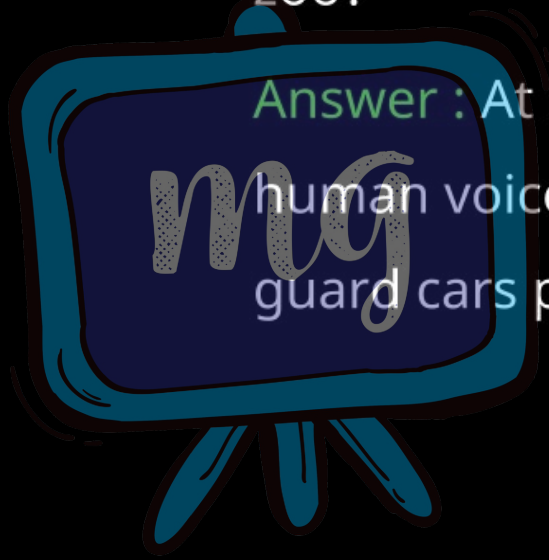
3. What does the tiger hear at night in the zoo?



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Answer : At night, he hears the last human voice and the sound of police or guard cars patrolling the area.



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4. Why is the tiger's strength locked behind bars?



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4. Why is the tiger's strength locked behind bars?

Answer : His power and energy are trapped because he is stuck inside a hard concrete cage instead of roaming freely in his natural forest home.

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5. What main message does the poet want to give through this poem?



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Answer : The poet wants to show how cruel it is to lock wild animals in cages, teaching us that every animal belongs in its natural home with freedom.