

4-Line Stanza Planning Template (2 Model Stanzas + 2 Blank)

This template includes two complete model quatrains: one using personification and one using metaphor. Two blank planning grids are also provided for pupils to develop their own stanzas.

Model Stanza 1 – Personification

| Stanza Focus | Vocabulary | Technique | Draft Line |
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| Forest waking | rustle, whisper, golden | personification | The forest whispers awake in shimmering gold |

The forest whispers awake in shimmering gold,
 Soft rustles drifting through the morning air,
 Sunlight threads between the sleepy branches,
 And dawn tiptoes in with quiet, glowing footsteps.

Model Stanza 2 – Metaphor

| Stanza Focus | Vocabulary | Technique | Draft Line |
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| Storm building | crackle, surge, steel-grey | metaphor | The sky becomes a drum, trembling with thund |

The sky becomes a drum, trembling with thunder,
 Grey clouds roll like waves across the air,
 Lightning flickers—silent, waiting, watching,
 Until the storm explodes in roaring flare.

Your Turn – Blank Stanza Templates

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