

Novelinee

News

- a I read my news in newspapers these days.
b I can skim and skip the sad, bad headlines-
a the murderers with their demented way,
b grid-locked, moral politician declines.
c I select the creative ones in arts,
d scientific breakthroughs, discovery deeds.
c those advocating for peaceful ramparts,
d stories of courage and securing needs.
d Newspapers not computers favored reads.
- a Reading newspapers and grasping the news
b requires breakfast, vitamins and pills.
a An image in words and in photo spews
b as I digest these social, global ills.
c Some folks suggest not paying attention,
d avoid the news that does not concern them.
c Some news is just beyond their retention.
d The uninformed are often first to condemn.
d Reading the newspaper—my stratagem.

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1. 9-line stanza.
2. Iambic pentameter, decasyllabic or ten syllables per line.
3. If part of a sequence, a variation of the closing line is used as the leading line of the next stanza.
4. In a Closed Novelinee the last line at the end of the poem is a variation of the first line of the first stanza.
5. Rhyme Scheme: a-b-a-b-c-d-c-d-d