

Rispetto

Planning For The Future

We can no longer change the past.
We can authenticate the now.
While our tribulations won't last,
we still wince at lingering pow,

Leave beliefs and patterns behind.
Better approaches we could find.
A light and love inspired way
so peace and happiness can stay.

Rispetto: Italian form. Two quatrains.
Usually iambic tetrameter. Example uses 8 syllables per line.
Rhyme Scheme: a-b-a-b c-c-d-d

Will and Kate Get Married

Ah! April fairy tale, lovely wedding day.
If you don't believe in monarchy,
you can still rejoice in love. Yesterday,
Diana radiant in pageantry.

This Duke and Duchess of Cambridge will wait.
Commoner to queen, they anticipate
happier future than Diana faced—
unless all royalty becomes displaced.

Heroic Rispetto: A Rispetto written in iambic pentameter.
This example written in 10-syllable lines.
Same rhyme scheme: a-b-a-b- c-c-d-d