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A stanza is a group of lines of poetry. Stanzas help organize the poem. Stanzas can make a poem easier to read and easier to write. Each stanza of a poem usually contains the same number of lines.

Here is an excerpt of a three stanza poem. What do you notice about the first line of each stanza?

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I AM FAST AND FUN

by Tesha (Age 9)

I am fast and fun.
I can dream, dreams that nobody has dreamt before.
I would go on adventures all over the world.
I want to write out my imagination.
I enjoy seeing peace.

I am fast and fun.
I want to fly and taste the air.
I am not afraid to say what I want.
I feel such smooth things that touch my fingers.
I find such pretty things in nature.

I am fast and fun.
I want to be a soccer star.
I think hard about things.
I wonder where we go when we fade.
I feel so great when I help someone.