

Crossing the Water Key Info

Writer: Sylvia Plath | Generated: Jan 26, 2026

Key Facts

- **Title:** Crossing the Water
- **Poet:** Sylvia Plath (1932-1963)
- **Written Date:** Around 1960-1961
- **Publication Date:** It was published after her death in her 1971 collection *Crossing the Water*.
- **Form:** Plath wrote this poem in four tercets. Tercets are three-line stanzas. So, the poem has 12 lines.
- **Meter and Rhyme Scheme:** It is written in free verse, so there is no fixed rhythm scheme or meter.
- **Tone:** Dark, fearful, mysterious