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Why would you smuggle in a renegade  
idea inside the outskirts of the mind?  
Although a foursquare sonnet's to be made,  
it nonetheless will put you in a bind.  
For otherwise you'd have to let him in  
and brook the consequences of the law,  
or keep him out with his subversive grin  
revealing his incendiary flaw.  
But now your verbal finery conceals  
his mischievous intent behind a set  
of quatrains and a couplet. This appeals  
to sensibilities that will abet  
the fugitive to snuggle in your breast,  
while his unwitting host will scarcely rest.