

# Stop Error

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My monitor is frozen  
In late four-something sun  
That cuts through icy patterns  
Another day's begun  
Recalling all my losses  
While trying to ignore  
The theme that keeps repeating  
From Call of Duty 4  
I tap-tap off the volume  
And stare out at the road  
Where cars and snowploughs scroll by  
A broken line of code  
From some embedded program  
That executes our town  
The river and the co-op  
This house that's falling down  
So tape over my window  
With dark green garbage bags  
Enclose my name in brackets  
Make HTML tags  
To start and end forever  
Above the wheezy breath  
Of cooling fans and hard-drives  
Beyond the screens of death

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