

The Message of Music!

Directions: Listen to music! Really listen to the lyrics of multiple songs to analyze for the hidden (or not so hidden) message within the song. Download the lyrics and complete the chart below for each song. Once you have listened to the music and completed the charts, answer the questions at the bottom of the page. You may not use Blurred Lines or Animals for this analysis.

Song #1 _____ **Date published** _____

On the lyrics, highlight every time the song references anything about relationships, sex, consent, dating or any other intimate piece of a romantic relationship.	You will submit your highlighted lyrics. Nothing to fill in here. 2 Points
Choose three of the lyrics that you highlighted and include them here. 3 Points	Lyric one: Lyric two: Lyric three:
For each lyric posted above, explain what struck you about the words that are sung. 3 Points	Lyric one: Lyric two: Lyric three:

Song #2 _____ **Date Published** _____

On the lyrics, highlight every time the song references anything about relationships, sex, consent, dating or any other intimate piece of a romantic	You will submit your highlighted lyrics. Nothing to fill in here. 2 points
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Choose three of the lyrics that you highlighted and include them here. 3 Points	Lyric one: Lyric two: Lyric three:
For each lyric posted above, explain what struck you about the words that are sung. 3 Points	Lyric one: Lyric two: Lyric three:

Song #3 _____ **Date Published**

On the lyrics, highlight every time the song references anything about relationships, sex, consent, dating or any other intimate piece of a romantic relationship.	You will submit your highlighted lyrics. Nothing to fill in here. 2 points
Choose three of the lyrics that you highlighted and include them here. 3 points	Lyric one: Lyric two: Lyric three:
For each lyric posted above, explain what struck you about the words that are sung. 3 points	Lyric one: Lyric two: Lyric three:

Analysis:

1. Prior to this assignment, had you ever really listened to the lyrics of each song and considered what they were saying? (1 point)
2. Now that you have, what is the biggest point or take away that you notice? Explain. (3 points)
3. Does the year the song was published impact the message of the music? Explain. (2 points)
4. What would you say was the overall hidden message in each of your three songs? (6 points)
 - a. Song One:
 - b. Song Two:
 - c. Song Three:
5. How could these messages within music guide our expectations about romantic relationships? Explain. (4 points)