Music Lyric Assignment

Do you actually "listen" to the music you listen to? This assignment will help you answer that question. Sometimes we listen to music, but don't pay attention to what the artist is trying to tell us. We simply listen to a song because everyone else is or because the sound is enjoyable. There is nothing wrong with that. But for this assignment, will have to understand a song by reading the lyrics. Here are your directions:

- 1. Find a song that you believe has meaning to it. One that has a solid theme. The song MUST have words; it can't be instrumental.
- 2. Listen to the song multiple times to find the message the artist is trying to convey.
- 3. Print out 5 copies of the lyrics and bring it to class with you next week.

*You are going to present your findings about this song to the class, so that we can discuss it as a group. No, you are not singing it.

- 4. You will be teaching the class what the theme of the song is.
- 5. You can type up your presentation or you can present off the top of your head.

Either way, you will be leading a class discussion.

What this assignment is NOT:

This is *not* an assignment where you pick your favorite song and tell us why it's awesome. You will *not* be standing in front of the class and saying, "this song is about love" or "this song is about hope." Your presentation *will* go through a song verse by verse, just like we did in class.

If you have <u>any</u> questions about this assignment, please email me no later than Friday 4pm 1/10/2020

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