



## Music and Me Project Instructions

Your end result for this project will be a “movie” made up of chosen photos downloaded into a story timeline. You will put transitions between the photos and add special effects. You will also record the music to play along with your movie on the audio track.

### Assignment Objectives:

Your goals in creating the “movie” are as follows:

- Analyze the lyrics and music of a song that is meaningful to you
- Choose words and photos that relate to the song and have personal meaning to you
- Use the text and images to create a “movie” that expresses how the music makes you feel and what the lyrics make you think about

### Guiding Questions: Set 1

Once you choose a song and listen to it carefully, answer the following questions:

1. Why did you choose this song?

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2. How does the music make you feel?

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3. When you listen to the words, what does this song make you think about?

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4. How do you relate to this song?

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5. List any other songs this song reminds you of below:

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### **Guiding Questions: Set 2**

1. How do the lyrics make you feel?

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2. What do the lyrics make you think about?

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3. How do you relate to the words?

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4. Do the words remind you of another song, movie, or book?

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5. When you read the words, do they make you think about any world issues, such as poverty, the environment, world peace, crime, or justice?

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### **Guiding Questions: Set 3**

1. What is different about listening to the song versus reading the lyrics?

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2. Why do you think it is different?

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3 . Does listening to the music help you understand the lyrics? Why or why not?

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4 . Think about some images you could use to represent the ideas you had during the past three sessions. Think about photos you have or photos you could take. Make notes of these ideas below:

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### **Homework: Finding Images**

Prepare for the moviemaking sessions at home by gathering images.

- If you decide to use some photos you already have, scan them into a computer and save them on either a CD or a thumb drive.
- If you take new photos with a digital camera, you can download these directly to the computer and save them.
- Ideally, all of these images should be saved on the same disc or thumb drive so it is easy to download them to the computer.
- If you are skilled with digital video, you may also want to use short video clips in your project.

## **Prepare for Moviemaking**

- Use the “Using Movie Maker to Create Photomontage Movies” to familiarize yourself with the application. If you have a computer at home, you can “play” with the functions and preplan your movie.
- Plan a title for your movie. Plan your ending credits. Decide which words (if any) you want to add into your movie to impact the photos. The instruction sheet tells you how to create a title, credits, and insert word pages between images.
- Have fun!