

HANDOUT

**Songwriting Outline**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

1. What is your title? \_\_\_\_\_

2. What is your hook? (It could be the same as your title.)

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3. What details will you put in your verses to support the theme?

Here are some ideas for details; each verse should include only one:

- Specific things you like about your topic
- How you feel about your topic
- What you do with your topic
- How you interact with your topic
- When you first saw your topic
- How your topic changed you
- Physical qualities of your topic
- Someone your topic makes you think of
- Create your own!

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Verse 1 topic: \_\_\_\_\_

Hook (in the chorus): \_\_\_\_\_

Verse 2 topic: \_\_\_\_\_

Hook (in the chorus): \_\_\_\_\_

Verse 3 topic: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Write four lines for each verse and four lines for the chorus. The chorus should include the hook and/or title in at least one line. Remember that each line should have about the same number of syllables (usually between five and eight).