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PARTS OF A SONG



TITLE

The **TITLE** is the name of the song.



SUBJECT

The **SUBJECT** is the topic of the song.



THEME

The **THEME** is the message, or what the song is about.



CHORUS

The **CHORUS** is the part of the song that repeats and conveys the theme. The chorus often contains the title and hook.



VERSE

The **VERSE** is the part of a song that usually describes the song's subject, such as who, what, when, where, why, and how. Songs have multiple verses that support the title, theme, and hook.



HOOK

The **HOOK** is the part of the song that catches, or “hooks,” a listener's attention and makes the song easy to remember. The title and hook are often the same, and the hook is usually repeated throughout the song.



BRIDGE

The **BRIDGE** is the part of a song that introduces a twist or new idea. It usually occurs toward the end of the song and has a different melody than the verses and chorus.



PRE-CHORUS

A **PRE-CHORUS** is a short section that serves as a transition from the verse to the chorus.

Note: Pre-Chorus is included for grades 7–12.



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