Song Lyrics Analysis Worksheet

Directions: Using this sheet as your guide, analyze the lyrics for deeper meaning!

Title of Song: ______________________________________

Artist: ____________________________________________

Speaker:

• What character traits would you give to the speaker in the song?

POV (point of view):

• Who's telling the story (artist, speaker, someone else)?
• 1st person, 2nd person, 3rd person?

Subject/Topic:

• What is the song mainly about?

Setting:

• Where does your song take place?
• When (if applicable)?

Mood:

• What is the mood of the song? How does it make you feel? Does it change?

Musicality: Listen...

• Does the music part of the song match the mood? How/Explain.
Others:

- Are there other people/characters in the song? If so, are they named?
  - What role do they play?

Conflict:

- What’s the problem in your song?
  - Can you relate to the problem in your own life?

Symbols/Metaphors:

- Are there any symbols or metaphors in your song?
  - What do they represent?

Theme: (i.e. friendship, hope, love, loss, growing up, family, overcoming challenges etc.)

- What do you think this song is saying about life?
  - Is there something to be learned?

Evidence of Theme:

- On your copy of the song, highlight words/phrases that support the theme you have chosen. Then list these words/phrases below:

Now go back and reread the title – is there more meaning to it now?