

**I. Listening**

Listen to the song 'A Thousand Years' and put the lyric lines in correct order.

  
**A Thousand Years**  
Christina Perri

Colors and promises  
One step closer  
Heart beats fast  
How can I love when I'm afraid to fall?  
All of my doubt suddenly goes away somehow  
How to be brave  
But watching you stand alone

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I'll love you for a thousand more  
Darling don't be afraid I have loved you  
I have died everyday waiting for you  
For a thousand years

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I will be brave  
I will not let anything take away  
Time stands still  
One step closer  
Beauty in all she is  
What's standing in front of me?  
Every hour has come to this  
Every breath

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I have loved you for a thousand years  
Time has brought your heart to me  
And all along I believed that I would find you  
I'll love you for a thousand more

**II. Discussion**

1. What genre of music does this song belong to?
2. Which line/s of the song is/are the most romantic?
3. What do you think is the message of this song?
4. Do you usually listen to love songs? Why or why not?



### III. Lyrics Interpretation

What do you think is the meaning of these lines?

Heart beats fast

Colors and promises

How to be brave?

How can I love when I'm afraid to fall?

But watching you stand alone

All of my doubt suddenly goes away somehow

One step closer

### Chorus

I have died everyday waiting for you

Darling don't be afraid I have loved you

For a thousand years

I'll love you for a thousand more

### Questions:

1. When can love be downright painful? When is it worth it?
2. Do you believe that love never dies?
3. What does this line mean: *I have died everyday waiting for you* ?

**I. Listening**

Listen to the song 'All of Me' by John Legend. Fill in the missing words and phrases in the song lyrics.

**All of Me**  
John Legend

What would I do without your \_\_\_\_\_  
 Drawing me in, and you kicking me out  
 You got my head spinning, no kidding, I can't \_\_\_\_\_  
 What's going on in that \_\_\_\_\_  
 I'm on your magical mystery ride  
 And I'm so dizzy, don't know what hit me, but I'll be alright

[Bridge]  
 My head's underwater  
 But I'm breathing fine  
 You're crazy and I'm out of my mind

[Chorus]  
 'Cause \_\_\_\_\_  
 Loves all of you  
 Love your curves and all your edges  
 All your \_\_\_\_\_  
 Give your all to me  
 I'll give my all to you  
 You're my end and my beginning  
 Even when \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cause I give you all of me  
 And you give me all of you, oh

[Verse]  
 How many times do I have to tell you  
 Even when you're crying you're beautiful too  
 The world is beating you down, I'm around through every mood  
 You're my \_\_\_\_\_, you're \_\_\_\_\_  
 My worst distraction, my rhythm and blues  
 I can't stop singing, it's \_\_\_\_\_ for you

[Bridge]  
 My head's underwater  
 But I'm breathing fine  
 You're crazy and I'm out of my mind

[Repeat Chorus]

[Bridge]

\_\_\_\_\_   
 Risking it all though it's hard



### III. Vocabulary I

What do these lines mean?

1. Smart mouth
2. pin you down
3. Beautiful mind
4. All of me

### IV. Discussion

Figures of Speech 1

It is a figurative language in the form of a single word or phrase. It can be a special repetition, arrangement or omission of words with literal meaning, or a phrase with a specialized meaning not based on the literal meaning of the words.

There are a number of figures of speech but we will only talk about a few.

**Metaphor** – is a figure of speech which makes an implicit, implied or hidden comparison between two things or objects that are poles apart from each other but have some characteristics common between them.

Example:

Cards on the table, we're both showing hearts.  
 Music to his ears  
 Boiling mad  
 Broken heart  
 Raining men  
 Roller coaster of emotion  
 Bubbly personality  
 Feel blue

**Antithesis** - two opposite ideas are put together in a sentence to achieve a contrasting effect.

Example:

You're easy on the eyes, hard on the heart.  
 Patience is bitter, but it has a sweet fruit.  
 To err is human; to forgive divine.  
 That's one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind.

**Oxymoron** - two opposite ideas are joined to create an effect, usually to promote humor

Example:

Open secret  
 Seriously funny  
 Awfully pretty  
 silent yell



## V. Vocabulary II

What do these lines mean?

5. Perfect imperfections
6. Even when I lose I'm winning
7. My downfall, My muse
8. Cards on the table, we're both showing hearts

## VI. Homework

Give a least 2 metaphors, 2 antithesis and 2 oxymoron examples.

**I. Pre – discussion: Check Homework**

*Give a least 2 metaphors, 2 antithesis and 2 oxymoron examples.*

**II. Listening**

Listen to the song 'Iris' by **Goo Goo Dolls**. This was written for the movie City Of Angels, where it was sung from the perspective of the main actor's character. In the film, he was an angel sent to help humans make their transition to the afterlife. When he fell in love with a human, he must choose between love and eternal life. **Fill in the blanks.**



And I'd give up forever to \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ I know that you feel me somehow  
 You're the closest to heaven that I'll ever be  
 And I \_\_\_\_\_ go home right now

And all I can taste is this moment  
 And all I can breathe is your life  
 And sooner or later \_\_\_\_\_ over  
 I just \_\_\_\_\_ you tonight

And I don't want the world to see me  
 'Cause I don't think that they'd understand  
 When \_\_\_\_\_  
 I just want you to know who I am

And you \_\_\_\_\_ the tears that \_\_\_\_\_  
 Or the \_\_\_\_\_ in your \_\_\_\_\_  
 When everything feels like the movies  
 Yeah you bleed just to know you're alive

And I don't want the world to see me  
 'Cause I don't think that \_\_\_\_\_  
 When everything's meant to be broken  
 I just want you to know \_\_\_\_\_ (3x)

I just want you to know who I am (3x)

**III. Vocabulary 1**

**What do these lines / words mean?**

1. You're the closest to heaven that I'll ever be
2. the moment of truth in your lies
3. you can't fight the tears that ain't coming
4. When everything feels like the movies, you bleed just to know you're alive



## IV. Discussion

### Content and Function Words

**Content words** are the words that help us form a picture in our head; they give us the structure of our story and tell our listener where to focus his or her attention.

Common examples are:

<b>Nouns</b> – people, places, things and ideas	<i>Heaven, home, life</i>
<b>Main verbs</b> – action, state of things	<i>Give, know, taste</i>
<b>Adjectives</b> – words that describes an object, person, place or thing and idea	<i>Red, soft, careful</i>
<b>Adverbs</b> – tells us how, where or when something happens	<i>Calmly, quickly, carefully</i>
<b>Question words</b> – words that denote questions	<i>Who, what, where, when, why</i>
<b>Negatives</b> – words that negate	<i>Not, no, and never</i>
<b>Demonstratives</b> – points to a particular noun it replaces	<i>this, that, these, those</i>

**Function words** are the words we use to make our sentences grammatically correct.

Common examples are:

<b>Pronouns</b> – words that replace nouns	<i>I, it, we, they, he, she</i>
<b>Determiners</b> – words that give detail to nouns	<i>A, an, the, some, any</i>
<b>Prepositions</b> – words that tell relation to other words	<i>At, on, to, near</i>
<b>Conjunctions</b> – words that connect	<i>And, but, or</i>
<b>Auxiliary verbs</b> – verbs that support the main verbs	<i>Am, are, has, could, should</i>

## V. Vocabulary 2

Pick one word from the lyrics as an example of each of the content and function word types.

## VI. Discussion Questions

1. What is your interpretation of the song?
2. What is the difference between attraction and love?
3. What are the hardest obstacles a relationship can have?

**I. Pre – discussion: Check Homework**

Listen to the song 'If I Ain't Got You' by Alicia Keys. Pay attention to the highlighted words.

**IF I AIN'T GOT YOU**   
Alicia Keys

Some people live for the fortune  
Some people live just for the fame  
Some people live for the power, yeah  
Some people live just to play the game  
Some people think that the physical things  
Define what's within  
And I've been there before  
But that life's a bore  
So full of the superficial

[Chorus:]

Some people want it all  
But I don't want nothing at all  
If it ain't you, baby  
If I ain't got you, baby  
Some people want diamond rings  
Some just want everything  
But everything means nothing  
If I ain't got you, yeah

Some people search for a fountain  
That promises forever young  
Some people need three dozen roses  
And that's the only way to prove you love them  
Hand me the world on a silver platter  
And what good would it be  
With no one to share  
With no one who truly cares for me

I repeat Chorus 2x!

[Outro:]

If I ain't got you with me, baby  
So nothing in this whole wide world don't mean a thing  
If I ain't got you with me, baby





## II. Vocabulary

Tell the meanings of the highlighted lines.

1. I don't want nothing at all
2. If it ain't you
3. If I ain't got you
4. nothing in this whole wide world don't mean a thing

## III. Discussion

### Figure of Speech 2

#### Colloquialism

It is an informal expression that is more often used in casual conversation than in formal speech or writing. They are "idioms, conversational phrases, and informal speech patterns often common to a particular region or nationality." (Writing Whizardry, 2010). Colloquialisms give a work a conversational, familiar tone. Writers use such expressions intentionally too as it gives their works a sense of realism.

Example:

wanna – want to  
 gonna – going to  
 y'all – you all  
 ain't – am not  
 What's up ? - how are you?

Double negatives

I don't want nothing – I don't want anything  
 I didn't see nobody – I didn't see anybody

## IV. Activity

**Restate these sentences formally.**

1. They gotta good idea.
2. Wacha you gonna do?
3. I'm gonna go to school.
4. I ain't goin' to school.
5. I reckon I gotta get to work.
6. He don't wanna go to the store.
7. I ain't never knockin' over another liquor store again.
8. I didn't want to go back no more.
9. Bring them kids to yer work.
10. Don't need no pizza. They got food there.

## V. Discussion

**Discuss the song and its implications.**

I. Pre – discussion: Check Homework

Listen to the song 'Thinking Out Loud' by Ed Sheeran. Take note of the body parts mentioned in the lyrics and fill in the blanks.

**THINKING OUT LOUD**  
Ed Sheeran

When your \_\_\_\_\_ don't work like they used to before  
And I can't sweep you off of your \_\_\_\_\_  
Will your \_\_\_\_\_ still remember the taste of my love?  
Will your eyes still smile from your \_\_\_\_\_?

And, darling, I will be loving you 'til we're 70  
And, baby, my \_\_\_\_\_ could still fall as hard at 23  
And I'm thinking 'bout how people fall in love in mysterious ways  
Maybe just the touch of a \_\_\_\_\_  
Well, me—I fall in love with you every single day  
And I just wanna tell you I am

So honey now  
Take me into your loving \_\_\_\_\_  
Kiss me under the light of a thousand stars  
Place your \_\_\_\_\_ on my beating \_\_\_\_\_  
I'm thinking out loud  
That maybe we found love right where we are

When my \_\_\_\_\_ 's all but gone and my memory fades  
And the crowds don't remember my name  
When my \_\_\_\_\_ don't play the strings the same way (mmm...)  
I know you will still love me the same

'Cause honey your soul could never grow old, it's evergreen  
And, baby, your smile's forever in my mind and memory  
I'm thinking 'bout how people fall in love in mysterious ways  
Maybe it's all part of a plan  
Well, I'll just keep on making the same mistakes  
Hoping that you'll understand

That, baby, now  
Take me into your loving \_\_\_\_\_  
Kiss me under the light of a thousand stars  
Place your \_\_\_\_\_ on my beating \_\_\_\_\_  
Thinking out loud  
Maybe we found love right where we are (oh ohh)

La la la la la la la lo-ud



So, baby, now  
 Take me into your loving \_\_\_\_\_  
 Kiss me under the light of a thousand stars  
 Oh, darling, place your \_\_\_\_\_ on my beating \_\_\_\_\_  
 I'm thinking out loud  
 But maybe we found love right where we are  
 Oh, baby, we found love right where we are  
 And we found love right where we are

## II. Discussion

1. What do these lines mean?  
 " And, darling, I will be loving you 'til we're 70"  
 " And, baby, my heart could still fall as hard at 23"
2. What does it mean to have 'a soul that never grows old'?
3. Why is her soul described as 'evergreen'?
4. Can you hear the singer's accent? (the singer is British) in what parts?
5. Give me your song interpretation.

## III. Listening 2

A. Listen to the song again and circle the correct word.

When my hair's all gone and my memory fades / fakes  
 And the crowds / crows don't remember my name  
 When my hands don't play the strings the same way  
 I know you will still love / laugh me the same  
 'Cause honey your soul could never go / grow old, it's evergreen  
 And, baby, your smile's ever / forever in my mind and memory  
 I'm thinking 'bout how people fell / fall in love in mysterious ways  
 Maybe it's all part of a plan  
 Well, I'll just keep on making the old / same mistakes  
 Hoping what / that you'll understand