**1950s Album Cover Art Project – The Hits of the 1950s!**

**Directions**: *Justify and explain in at least three (3) sentences the significance of each song and how it relates to the 1950s. You may choose a song from the years of 1950 to 1964 in your project.*

**You must include the following topics on the BACK of your album cover.**

1. A Song Involving the Space Race
2. A Song Involving Living in the Suburbs (i.e. Family Life—something representative of the 50s family)
3. A Song About Life for Women
4. A Song Involving the Non-Conformity of the 1950s (can be a criticism of it as well!)
5. A Popular Rock ‘n’ Roll Song/Artist
6. A Song Involving the New Technology of the 1950s (it could also use new techniques of making music-synthesizers, etc.)
7. A Song About Life for a Teenager/Teenage Angst
8. A Famous Love Song
9. A theme song for a popular movie, TV show, radio show, etc.
10. A song involving a famous African-American (Possibly showing origins of the Civil Rights if you can find one!).

**Album Example: Front (Top) and Back (Below)**

The front cover should have:

1. Your band’s name.
2. Your album’s title.
3. Three Song Titles
4. Cover Art
5. Your record label’s name.
6. The year of its release.





The back cover should have:

1. Back Cover Art
2. The Track Listing
3. The Band’s Name and Album Title Listed
4. All ten tracks and a minimum of a three sentence explanation of how it relates to the 1950s

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| **Album Art** | **Work Ethic** | **Creativity** | **Explanations** | **Rating** |
| Well done, has color, has all 6 items labeled. | Worked well; no reminders. | Catchy titles, fun to look at, 100% effort. | Explains all 10 songs in at least 3 sentences. | 10 |
| Missing some labels, has color, but missing some of the six labels. | Has to be reminded more than twice. | Missing some items, borrowed some ideas from other albums. | A few explanations do not meet three sentences. | 8 |
| No color, possibly missing labels. | Is off-task and has to be reminded several times. | ½ effort into project, resembles albums from other bands. | Most explanations do not make sense or do meet requirements. | 5 |
| Very minimal effort; no color, missing almost all labels. | Unfocused; has to be consistently monitored for off-task behavior | Minimal effort; lacks creativity and subject knowledge. | Minimal effort; missing components; does not follow directions on nearly all explanations. | 3 |
| No album submitted for a grade. | Completely unfocused; poor work ethic. | No effort made to make album look authentic. | Incomplete or no work submitted for a grade. | 0 |
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