

# Oral English: Assignment 1

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For this assignment you will work as a group of 4-5 to explain an English song to the class.

## What do you need to do to prepare?

- Get into a group.
- Choose an English song.
- Find the lyrics to this song online.
- Find a YouTube video of the lyrics to this song.
- Identify 8-10 important vocabulary/phrases in this song.
- Find the official YouTube video for this song.
- Write 8-10 discussion questions about the song you chose. (These questions can be about the video and/or the topic of the song).
- Sign up for which week you and your group will present your song.

## What do you need to do when your group presents?

- Print a handout to give to each student in class on the day you present. Your handout must include:
  - Song name and artist name.
  - Song lyrics with important vocabulary/phrases in **bold**.
  - Explanations of 8-10 important vocabulary/phrases.
  - 8-10 discussion questions about your song/song topic.
- During your presentation you must:
  - Give the class your handout. Give your classmates 5-7 minutes to read the lyrics by themselves.
  - Play the YouTube lyric video [the lyric video you choose must show the words clearly].
  - Explain 8-10 important vocabulary/phrases to the class.
  - Play the official YouTube video.
  - Read and explain your discussion questions to the class.
  - The class will then break into small groups to discuss your questions. You will join a discussion group and participate in the discussion. You do not need to lead the discussion, just participate.

### **Important Information**

- You must email me your handout and the YouTube links (lyric and official video) **the week before** you will present. So if you present on Monday of week 6 then you must email me your handout and video links on Monday of week 5.
- I will post your handout and song videos on my website. Please check out the website and come to class prepared to listen to the song and participate in the discussion.
- You must choose 'school friendly' songs/videos. No explicit content will be accepted.
- Understanding English songs can be challenging and explaining them to your classmates is challenging too! If you are not sure of the meaning of the vocabulary/phrases in your song come and meet with me during my office hours or make an appointment at the Language Center Writing Clinic.