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## A Content Analysis of Gender-Specific Speech Features in Song Lyrics

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#### Abstract

Do gender-specific conversational speech patterns appear in the lyrics of male and female artists? To answer this question, chapter 1 first reviews sociolinguistic methods and describes evidence for gender-specific speech characteristics as well as for some of the differences in power dynamics between men and women that the use of these characteristics reveals. It then discusses the similarity of lyrics and speech, reviews some of the current literature on the effects of music on behavior, and provides a motivation for the study that is described in chapter 2. This study looks at the lyrics of 179 romantic songs sung by male and female artists from three genres (country, pop, and rock) across three time periods (1958-1960, 1985-1987, and 2012-2014). As is done in content-analysis studies, each song was evaluated for its number of words, filler words, self-referential pronouns ("I" and "me"), inclusive pronouns ("you and I" and "we"), terms of endearment, love references, and sexual references. Narrative coding techniques were used to evaluate songs for evidence of speaker confidence or agency, and for requests. Results demonstrated primarily several significant changes over time, but few significant differences due to gender. It may be necessary to have face-to-face interactions in order for these gender-specific speech characteristics to emerge and the songs do not provide such a context. Alternatively, it may be that the lyrics of successful songs by female artists are not representative of everyday women's speech.

#### **CHAPTER ONE**

#### Introduction

#### **1.1 Linguistic Variants**

Human language can be characterized as an "inherently social phenomenon" in that it is used to transfer information from one speaker to another (Newman, Groom, Handelman & Pennebaker, 2008; Hymes, 1974; Malinowski, 1923; Van Herk, 2012). While it has many uses, one of the key things that we do when we speak is communicate various aspects of ourselves to others. With the use of language, we are able to articulate our internal narratives, which no one else is privy to. Private thoughts, ideas, relative social standing, and relationships are conveyed through the words that we choose (Tannen, 1998). Furthermore, the words we choose do not solely act as a vehicle of communication. Our speech patterns in discourse reveal our conscious and unconscious efforts to portray ourselves as members of particular groups (Newman et al., 2008). Discourse analysis of conversation allows us to identify the linguistic regularities in these interactions among members of particular groups, and what sets the patterns of speech particular to one group apart from those of the next.

The study of speech differences is founded on the theory that the features that differentiate one person's speech from another's occur systematically and are socially significant (Kristiansen, 2001; Labov, 1964; Labov, 1972). Speech differences are found at the intergroup and individual level. A speech pattern specific to a group is categorized as a dialect, also known as a variety of speech, whereas a speech pattern unique to an individual is an idiolect (Carden, 1970). Idiolects are shaped by the environments that we grow up in and are observed in the accents, patterns of intonation, grammar, and the vocabulary that we use. Linguistic variation refers to the differences in speech among speakers. Free variation in speech means that the units used by the speaker are arbitrarily chosen: the choice of using one over the other is not significant. For this reason, speech features used in free variation do not reveal much about the speaker. Conversely, speech features that systematically vary across groups of people, also known as linguistic variants, are socially diagnostic of a person's group membership and are therefore meaningful (Kristiansen, 2001). Differences in use of language help place speakers into social categories (Kristiansen, 2001; Tajfel, 1976). In other words, linguistic variants are signs of social identity and are stereotypical of a group (Labov, 1964; Agha, 2003). The process by which a linguistic feature becomes a socially recognized register for a particular group is called enregisterment (Agha, 2003; Van Herk, 2012).

People who speak similarly to one another are typically from the same speech community. Speech community is the term used to describe a group of people who come into habitual contact with one another and thereby share the same linguistic variants and expectations about language use norms (Van Herk, 2012). A common example of a speech community is the people who all live in one city. While the members of a speech community come into frequent contact with other members of the group, a speech community is not formed by choice or a shared enterprise; a group of people who share a set of sociolinguistic norms and jargon because of a shared endeavor make up a community of practice. A person can be a member of a speech community as well as communities of practice, and engage in many social networks at the same time based on his or her place of origin, profession, family structure, and social interests.

Speech communities are formed by people who live in the same place, whereas members of a community of practice can be dispersed all over the world; this is especially true with the rise of technology and alternative modes of communication, such as online social media platforms.

However, geographical location remains one of the most salient social variables when it comes to studying language variation, particularly across regions. When a group of people is geographically isolated due to topographical features, such as mountains or oceans, their distinct way of speaking becomes specific to the region. This is because the community and its language variety rarely come into contact with others. This phenomenon is also known as speech preservation. In contrast, language change occurs when speakers migrate to new places or come into linguistic or dialectal contact with other speakers. Extended contact of multiple language varieties, and the varieties' speakers, can lead to a new, distinct variety that is based on the shared sociolinguistic norms of the new community. This process is called dialect leveling (Van Herk, 2012). Additionally, language changes when new concepts are introduced into speakers' lives. For example, when a new type of technology is invented, new names are needed for the device itself and its functions.

People adjust the linguistic variants they use to match their speech style to a speech situation. This process is called style shifting (Van Herk, 2012). However, people can only adjust the variants that they consciously use. The extent to which a speaker is aware of the sociolinguistic features he or she uses depends on the feature's type. Indicators are a type of linguistic variant that are outside of a speaker's conscious control. An example of an indicator is whether or not a speaker differentiates between the allophones of a particular phoneme. A phoneme is a distinct speech sound, such as /s/, and replacing one phoneme with another changes the meaning of the word it was in (Ladefoged, 2001). An example of how this type of a replacement can alter a word's meaning can be seen in the change from /semt/ to /peint/ ("saint" to "paint"). Every phoneme has a set of allophones, which are all the possible pronunciations of the speech sound. For example, the phoneme /p/ can be articulated with a sharper burst of air,

also known as the aspirated p (denoted as [p<sup>h</sup>]) (Ladefoged, 2001). Some allophones are systematically implemented based on phonetic context, while others occur in free variation. Instead of changing speech meaning, allophones serve to give speech a distinctive sound (Ladefoged, 2001). The variety of allophones that a speaker uses depends on his or her language variety, and can influence a listener's perception of whether or not the language is a speaker's native tongue. The allophones that a speaker of a particular speech community uses can also be influenced by the person's age and other subtler social group distinctions. However, allophonic variation does not impede communication between older and younger generations of the same speech community. While linguists are attuned to identifying indicators like the use of a certain allophone, the subtlety of the speech feature reduces the likelihood that the speakers are even aware of them (Ladefoged, 2001). Without a conscious awareness of the indicator's existence, speakers are therefore unable to manipulate their use of them. As such, indicators are not subject to style-shifting.

One the other hand, markers of speech are examples of variants that speakers may or may not be aware of. Speakers' use of markers varies as a function of the impression that they wish to convey (Van Herk, 2012). Particularly when markers are used at a high frequency, this type of speech feature can reveal information about the speaker's socioeconomic class and occupation. One common example of a marker is the pronunciation of word-final "-ing", or /m/. Most speakers change the /n/ of the suffix to /n/ in casual conversation. Yet in more formal settings, people are more likely to overtly pronounce the /n/ to adjust their speech to the context. Interestingly enough, the extent to which speakers consciously adjust their speech can depend on their socioeconomic status. A study by William Labov showed that the frequency at which a particular /r/ allophone was used among department store employees in New York was socially stratified (Labov, 1972). However, when speaking directly to Labov, the frequency at which employees used the allophone went up for all of them, albeit at different levels of consistency (Labov, 1972; Labov, 2006). The employees who were able to implement the /r/ allophone most consistently already used the variant more in casual speech. In other words, they were able to use this variant with greater "linguistic security" (Labov, 1966, p. 175). The increased use of the allophone is an example of style-shifting. As seen in this example of the department store employees, speakers consciously style-shift their speech patterns by using markers that seem appropriate for the situation.

Stereotypes are linguistic variants that people within and outside of a speech community are aware of. Stereotypes can range from accents to speech intonation patterns. An example of a well-known stereotype is the r-dropping of the Boston dialect in Massachusetts (Hartley, 2005). A specific instance of a language stereotype is called a shibboleth. Adapted from the biblical denotation (*Judges* 12:6), a shibboleth can also be defined as "a variant of speech that betrays where a speaker is from" (Prokić, Çöltekin, & Nerbonne, 2012). For the stereotyped Boston accent, memorable shibboleths include "Hahvahd Yahd" (Harvard Yard) and "cah" (car). A popular Jamaican shibboleth is the pronunciation of "man" to "mon". Whether or not a speaker can consciously implement them, all of the aforementioned linguistic variants carry categorical information about the speakers who use them (Lippi-Green, 1997).

The social significance of a variant determines who uses it in conversation (Holmes, 1997). While no community is defined or constrained by a single pattern of speech, researchers notice that shared patterns of speech help them understand the social structure within and between groups. The linguistic marketplace is a direct reflection of this. Particular ways of speaking are considered more prestigious than others, and the language variety of a speaker has a direct impact on his or her life (Lippi-Green, 1997; Sankoff & Laberge, 1978). The process of language subordination is the matter in which some language varieties are placed below others in terms of status (Lippi-Green, 1997). The covert, and in some cases overt, convergence towards the standard variant of a group reveals an underlying desire to present oneself in a particular manner.

In the aforementioned study by Labov (1972), employees of lower social status increased their use of an /r/ allophone to match their speech to standard variety. Speakers who converge their speech towards the most highly valued variant of the linguistic marketplace are awarded social and economic benefits for adhering to community based norms (Fuertes, Gottdiener, Martin, Gilbert, & Giles, 2011; Purkiss, Perrewé, Gillespie, Mayes, & Ferris, 2006). Therefore, people who speak a non-standard speech variety in their own speech communities tend to speak a more desirable variant in public forums. A person's tendency to converge towards or away from a standard variant of speech is diagnostic of the individual's social category and group affiliation. Social category and group affiliation are essential aspects of a person's identity. Performances of identity are socialized and 'interactional portrayals' of what we would like to converg... using conventionalized gestures'' (West & Zimmerman, 1987, p. 130). Therefore, convergence and divergence are two ways in which speakers perform their identity through speech in interactions.

#### **1.2 Performance of Speech**

How a person performs his or her speech depends on the identity of the speaker. Additionally, the performance is shaped by the speaker's communicative intent and the function of the interaction (Koester, 2002). As previously discussed, the social identity and sociocultural values of a speaker inform the linguistic variants he or she uses (Holmes, 1997). Importantly, a speaker's understanding of a linguistic feature's meaning is colored by his or her experience with what it refers to (Janicki, 2010). While speakers adjust their speech patterns to fit their expectations of an interaction, these adjustments fall within the repertoire of the individual's sociolect – the language variety specific to the social group that the speaker identifies with (Van Herk, 2012). It is unlikely that a speaker will completely change his or her individualized repertoire of accent, idioms, phrasing, intonation, and choice of vocabulary. But how people present themselves via their speech reveals how they position themselves vis-à-vis the people that they are speaking to, also known as their interlocutors.

The social distance between two interlocutors has the power to impact what speakers say and how they say it. The less experience one has with the context of the interaction or the interlocutor, the more likely it is that he or she brings a standardized script to the interaction. A script is the extralinguistic knowledge about the speech situation that influences how a speaker communicates (Saville-Troike & Kleifgen, 1989). This extralinguistic knowledge is based on prior experiences with similar situations and information from paralinguistic channels (nonverbal forms of communication). These scripts, based on expectations about the interlocutor and the domain, also determine which linguistic variants the speaker uses (Saville-Troike & Kleifgen, 1989). Intuitively, the scripts that a person uses depend on the speaker's role and social identity. For example, a boss uses a different script in a boardroom meeting than her employee. The communicative intent of the former individual is to display confidence, power, and order, whereas that of the latter is to show capability, intuition, and loyalty.

Communicative intent can also be shaped by politeness strategies. A speaker's "face" is his or her public social identity (Brown & Levinson, 1978; Goffman, 1955; Van Herk, 2012). The social prestige of a person's "face" becomes especially relevant in intergroup interactions. The term intergroup simply refers to a situation that involves people or two or more separate groups.

In certain intergroup interactions, a speaker wants to appeal to his or her interlocutor. One way a speaker can show respect or camaraderie is to address the member with honorifics, which are terms of address laden with respect. While this term is usually used to describe switches between languages, adjusting terms of address based on speech setting is also known as code-switching (Pennebaker, Mehl, & Niederhoffer, 2003, p. 562). Another way is to tailor the conversation to the sociolinguistic norms of the other speaker. This tactic of speech convergence is an example of positive politeness: the speaker steers the interaction in a way that pleases his or her interlocutor through the well-employed use of a script (Brown & Levinson, 1987; Van Herk, 2012). In this example, the speaker is putting on a positive face by actively engaging with the other speaker in order to evaluated more favorably.

On the other hand, sometimes speakers want to minimize the duration of an interaction. Negative politeness strategies involve avoiding contact with others (Brown & Levinson, 1987; Van Herk, 2012). In other words, a speaker negotiates an interaction by avoiding interpersonal contact. Negative face, then, refers to an individual's desire to minimize contact with others (Brown & Levinson, 1987). Once again, whether people employ positive or negative politeness strategies is influenced by their role in an interaction and the scripts available to them. The scripts that people use reveal information about who has more power (Tannen, 1998). Roles of power available to a speaker, researchers have found, are determined by categories of race, socioeconomic status, and gender (Conley & O'Barr, 2005; Coates, 2004; Tannen, 1991).

With respect to the performance of gender, when particular words, idioms, or scripts become stereotypical of a gender, people learn to consciously employ these stereotypes to assert their gender identity. The speech features typically employed by women, then, are seen as feminine. Conversely, the speech strategies generally employed by men are labeled as masculine. Gender

differences in speech are comparable to speech divergence: in-group members want to sound different from out-group members and therefore use gender-specific speech (Maltz & Borker, 1982; Lippi-Green, 1997). People within a group are motivated to sound like their peers (Lippi-Green, 1997). In turn, these in-group desires perpetuate the stereotypes attributed to a group (Maltz & Borker, 1982). Thus, contemporary sociolinguists argue that men and women perform gender through speech in order to demonstrate in-group membership and outward identity.

#### **1.3 Gender Differences**

People are lumped into social categories because of a shared set of traits, which can include gender. Social categories inform commonly accepted generalizations about the members within the group, including judgments about their speech patterns. These judgments aren't entirely false: as our previous discussion has shown, how a person speaks is influenced by environment and speaker origin. While the patterns may not be universal, in every society there are predictable patterns in how dimensions of race, gender, and power are expressed in interpersonal communication (Myklebust, 2014, p. 6). There are distinct, identifiable differences in how a woman speaks to her partner in the privacy of a car and how a customer speaks to a street vendor. The interlocutors' intentions and the specific environments of interactions shape the words that are used in the exchange. For further illustration, the way a woman speaks to her husband's mistress about their relationship will deviate greatly from how she presents it to her mother or female friends. How a man speaks to his spouse about his feelings will be different from what he tells his same-sex friends. A speaker is influenced by the performance requirements of the audience, which is why societal conventions shape how men and women speak with one another and their peers.

Inspired by Robin Lakoff's work in the mid-seventies, empirical research has found that women are more likely to use rapport style speech (1975). Rapport-style speech incorporates linguistic features to create and foster relationships between the speaker and the addressee (Tannen, 1991). A person with rapport-style speech engages in supportive and non-competitive conversational patterns, which includes making supportive interjections while someone else speaks (such as "mmhmm!"), encouraging speech through the use of prompts (such as "tell me more"), using pronouns that are inclusive of the group (such as "you and I" or "we"), and asking many questions (Coates, 1996; Myklebust, 2014; Tannen, 1991). In other words, a stereotypical feature of female speech is that women communicate as a means of support and solidarity (Tannen, 1992).

Conversely, men generally use report-style speech (Lakoff, 1975; Tannen, 1993). Reportstyle speech is used to assert the speaker's dominance and relative social status, meaning that the nature of the conversation between men is often competitive (Tannen, 1994). A main objective for a report-style speaker is to speak as long as possible without interruption, which is why "allmale conversation is often characterized by monologues" (Coates, 1997, p. 32; Lakoff, 1975). If a male speaker were to adopt the high involvement style of female speech patterns, as demonstrated in frequent turn-taking between speakers and affirmative interruptions, this communication style would be understood as a direct threat by male listeners. When a woman interrupts a female friend's conversational point, she is demonstrating an active interest in what her friend has to say. When a man interrupts another man's point, he is actively diverting attention away from the speaker and undermining his authority.

Tannen (1989) found that when men and women communicate with one another that neither gender adopts the speech features of the other (as cited in Tannen, 1993). In fact, the

incompatibility of report and rapport-style speech can lead to total miscommunication (Tannen, 1994; Tannen, 1995). Adopting the role as the more feminine counterpart in the interaction, a woman might feel the need to ask more questions or to only hint at her opinion when asked (Lakoff, 1975). In contrast, a man might feel pressured by the number of questions he is asked by his female partner and experience frustration about a woman's apparent indecisiveness (Tannen, 1995). This example shows that men and women perform gender not only to assert identity, but also to create and maintain differences between groups. The language varieties that people use to perform gender may perpetuate societal expectations and values, but this does not mean that the language features themselves are inherently restricted to either men or women.

One phenomenon that illustrates how deeply certain patterns of speech are associated with people of a distinct category is the concept of "dragging". So far, the literature review has focused on the linguistic variants that a person adopts in order to pass as a person of a particular identity. Conversely, a person who drags in the linguistic sense mimics the speech patterns of members of another group. When a man wishes to imitate women, he draws upon the speech features he associates with the gender. Moreover, audiences find it humorous when men speak like women stereotypically would and vice versa; this is yet another piece of evidence that the performance of gender serves to maintain boundaries between socially constructed categories. Men who do not wish to be lumped in with people categorized as "average guys" can use stereotypical female speech features as markers of their identity. This is particularly true for men who identify with the gay community (Childs & Van Herk, 2014).

As supported by the fact that we find humor in dragging, we become aware of genderspecific registers when people violate our expectations (Trudgill, 2000). Linguistic features specific to the speech of a gender category are a genderlect. Once again, not everyone who falls

into the "male category" adopts all of the category's sociolinguistic norms. A genderlect is simply a repertoire of stereotypical linguistic features associated with the people of that gender (Trudgill, 2000). In addition, the contexts in which men and women stereotypically operate, respectively, drive what men and women talk about. For example, men have traditionally held positions of power and relegated women to more trivial responsibilities, such as interior decorating. As a result, stereotypical female vocabulary expanded to account for finer discriminatory terms for concepts such as color (Lakoff, 1975). Furthermore, this is how extensive vocabularies about activities typically reserved for women are typecast as feminine (Lakoff, 1975; Trudgill, 2000).

While the speech of many women is now adjusting to include what used to be considered masculine forms and features, the reverse is not occurring; rather, a man's masculinity would be put into question if he used the term "mauve' to describe a color or began a sentence with "Oh dear" (Myklebust, 2014). The fact that men aren't adopting more stereotypically female speech features into their language demonstrates a preference for male speech patterns. Furthermore, as equal gender representation grows in the workplace, women are expected to incorporate more and more male features into their patterns of speech (Tannen, 1998). Could it be that stereotypically feminine language is considered weak? What makes speech powerful, and who uses powerful speech?

#### 1.4 Power

People in power generally assert their authority and status in society by using powerful language terms when they speak. Historically, men's speech has been the norm that women's speech is compared to, whereby female specific speech patterns are generally categorized as relatively deficient (Coates, 2004; Lippi-Green, 1997). This can be seen in a variety of gender-

linked speech patterns. Women's speech is categorized as weak or hesitant when compared to male speech based on the kinds of politeness terms women typically use in conversation (Tannen, 1991). In addition, in order to engage their interlocutors, women often make statements of uncertainty that await confirmation (Hartman, 1976; Lakoff, 1975; Poole, 1979). Manifestations of uncertain statements include tag questions, which are questions that follow statements, and hedges, which are mitigating expressions dispersed throughout statements (Coates, 2004; Lakoff, 1975; Myklebust, 2014; Tannen, 1991).

Tag questions, such as "Isn't it?," typically follow unexpectedly strong affirmations or opinions in order to decrease the certainty level of the statement. As seen in the given example, one way one can diminish the level of certainty of statement is adding a question with negative valence: "Isn't it?" undermines the validity of the statement. Therefore, tag questions are generally categorized as female speech features (Coates, 2004). Hedges are another speech feature that can be used in order to reduce the authority of a statement. Hedges can be adjectives, adverbs, or separate clauses that dampen the effect of a speaker's statement. For example, the statement "I *kind of* do think that we *should maybe* adjust for this *small* problem" evokes much less urgency and certitude than "We need to adjust for this problem." Statements like the former example are not only more tentative, they also elicit a need for a confirmation from the listener(s). The assumed hesitation of the speaker that the hedges evoke places the listener in a more powerful position than the speaker (Myklebust, 2014; Conley, O'Barr, & Lind, 1978).

In addition, women use a variety of other linguistic devices that indicate that they have less power than men. Since engaging in conflict can establish a speaker as powerful (Tannen, 1993), women generally avoid conflict and instead attempt to mitigate clashes of opinion (Fishman, 1997). Women rely on metamessages, or implicit messages, as a conversational way to speak

about achievements in a modest manner or to downplay animosity (Tannen, 1998). Women thus use metamessages to avoid direct confrontation and only fight when they need to (Tannen, 1993; Tannen, 1998). This form of "silent protest" is less verbally aggressive than male speech tactics and therefore is considered comparably less powerful (Maltz & Borker, 1982, p. 175). However, a metamessage can have the same level of impact as a command. For example, the female hostess of a dinner party might tell a female guest that arrives late, "It's only because I care that I tell you this, but it is really appreciated when everyone can start dinner at the same time". From an outside perspective, the statement may come across as a general commentary on punctuality. However, the hostess' message is clear: she disapproves of the fact that her guest showed up late. Furthermore, the hostess is giving her guest a warning: the act of showing up late was both an insult to the hostess and may have injured their relationship. Therefore, the embedded message is the hostess' strategy to confront and punish the guest's insult. This example shows how both direct confrontation and metamessages are methods that speakers employ to gain control.

Women also feel pressure to engage in "troubles talk," also known as "reciprocal selfdisclosure" (Tannen, 1993; Coates, 1996). This is another tactic of accommodating to the other's speaker's needs. When a friend shares a problem, women feel pressured to share similar experiences to foster a sense of rapport (Coates, 1997; Myklebust, 2014; Tannen, 1993). Societal values pressure men to assert their dominance and independence to the point where speaking about problems can be seen as a violation of the male speech code (Tannen, 1993). In contrast, any male conversation can turn into a "war of words": name-calling, teasing, commands, and one-upping are common features of all-male speech (Tannen, 1998, p. 194). Furthermore, while women speak about their problems to elicit or demonstrate empathy, and thereby forge connections, they do not use this speech tactic to necessarily garner advice (Tannen, 1993). Men,

on the other hand, expect that if a problem is important enough to be brought up, that the person with the problem wants some form of advice from them. This falls in line with the performative nature of male "report talk". For example, in a conversation between the members of a heterosexual couple, when a woman brings up minimal daily woes to spark conversation, her partner might respond with a long monologue of possible solutions (Tannen, 1993). This example demonstrates a gender-specific difference in conversational ritual (Tannen, 1993).

Another aspect of gender-specific speech patterns is the use of language to create hierarchy or connection (Myklebust, 2014). Men use particular linguistic variants and speech tactics to drive conversation to either establish hierarchy or to make connections similar to women's trouble talk. For example, a stereotypical way a man can assert his power in a male group is by provoking the people he is talking to or calling them names. One type of provocation that many men employ is one-upping, where interlocutors find ways to outdo what a previous one said. Beyond fostering competition, one-upping can also serve to foster rapport and discourse among peers. On the other hand, women stereotypically package their successes and achievements into conventionalized codes to be perceived simultaneously as successful and humble by their peers (Tannen, 1993). Both of these strategies are effective and powerful, however, the differences in how men and women negotiate social hierarchy and relationships through speech lead people to believe that male speech is more powerful than that of women. This is because male speech patterns are more overt about their purpose. For instance, it is more societally acceptable for men to outwardly bash, one-up, or interrupt their interlocutors, whereas women cover up such intentions with rhetorical questions and other similar conventionalized codes.

In addition to their use of the phatic function of trouble's talk, that is, their use of language to express solidarity, women are thought to speak in a way that is typically more emotionally laden than men's. However, research has shown that men and women make equal amounts of emotionally-driven statements (Mehl & Pennebaker, 2003), although men are more likely to express anger than women, and women are more likely to express positive feelings or sadness than men (Mehl & Pennebaker, 2003). Once again, this contrast adds to the belief that male speech is more powerful than female speech. Additionally, the amount of force applied to an emotional expression can demonstrate a speaker's power. Men are more likely to instigate a fight in order to begin an interaction with another man, whereas for women, picking a fight is seen as a purposeful attack on the relationship (Tannen, 1993; Tannen, 1998).

#### **1.5 Time**

How genderlects actually vary from one another can be studied in a few different ways. One of the ways in which the present study will examine genderlects is through changes over time. For example, the differences between genderlects today could be different from those of earlier time periods. One common approach sociolinguists take in order to examine systematic speech differences is to study changes over time. Studies on language shifts over time are based on the assumption of the uniformitarian principle: the factors that impacted language in the past are the same as the ones that impact language today. Therefore, the changes that we see today can be directly compared to those of the past (Van Herk, 2012).

There are a few ways to study language shifts. The first type of study is called an apparent time study. Apparent time studies are based on the assumption that the biggest linguistic shifts occur in young adulthood and that language experimentation stagnates after this phase of life (Van Herk, 2012). Thus, any differences observed between people of younger and

older generations of the same speech community are evidence of change. Since people of different generations are tested at the same time in apparent time studies, this method is quite convenient and therefore favored by sociolinguists.

A real time study is a method of studying longitudinal change in a speech community at two or more time points (Van Herk, 2012). This method tracks a speech community's language variety, and its changes, over time. A trend study is a type of real time study that samples the speech of individuals within a speech community. The researchers sample the speech of people representative of multiple generations at a minimum of two time points and compare these to identify differences.

Most of the sociolinguistic evidence that provides support for the genderlect features associated with rapport and report-style speech and with power differences in the use of language has come from studies of verbal interactions between men and women. More recently, research has begun to investigate whether the genderlect features and expressions of power that we see in conversational speech patterns are also present in musical lyrics.

#### 1.6 Lyrics as Speech

Although they are often composed by individuals other than the singers themselves, lyrics are generally seen as the words of the artists who sing them. On a small scale, lyrics can provide insight into the singer's inner narrative in the same manner that conversational speech patterns convey the inner life of a speaker. Whether a singer is "talking" to us (the audience), or a person we can only imagine, neither of whom is present, the singer's words are based on societal conventions and attributes of the person being addressed. Therefore, the observations that we have made about conversational speech patterns are likely to apply to the patterns of lyrics.

Lyrics can also be compared to speech in that they are tailored to specific audiences in particular contexts. In a sense, genres of music provide messages for particular groups of people. Content analyses of song lyrics reveal the different ways in which songs put themes such as violence, class conflict, love, and sex into words (Pettijohn & Sacco, 2009). Different styles of music talk about themes, such as love, relationships, and heartbreak in completely different ways. Thus, songs from different musical genres appeal to different kinds of people.

Like speech, lyrics also reflect the time that they were written in. On a larger scale, lyrics chronicle social developments, such as the normalization of explicit sexual references in popular culture (Kalof, 1993), in the same way that language reflects social change (Labov, 1964; Labov, 1972). If lyrics are comparable to speech, then the gender differences found in everyday conversations may exist in musical song lyrics as well.

There are three types of gender presentation in music that are pertinent to the study of gender differences in song lyrics. Firstly, there is the manner in which artists present themselves as gendered selves. Secondly, there is the manner in which artists present other people of the same gender. And thirdly, there is the manner in which artists present other people of the opposite gender. How artists position themselves vis-à-vis the people that they describe or address in their songs, particularly romantic partners, influences listener perception of the song content.

#### **1.7 The Cognitive and Behavioral Implications of Lyrics**

Musical lyrics are a powerful disseminator of cultural norms and beliefs, such as the societal values regarding love and sex. For example, casual relationships, such as one-night-stands, have pervaded modern day "love songs". This change is reflective of the times; sexual promiscuity

and female agency in engaging in hook-ups is considered part of millennial feminism (Carden, 2012).

It has been proposed that the increased sexual nature of lyrics also affects younger listeners in many ways, giving them a heightened sense of inadequacy when it comes to sexuality and engendering in them the desire to be promiscuous (Carpentier, Knobloch-Westerwick, & Blumhoff, 2007; Hall, West, & Hill, 2012). For example, prior research has suggested that the increased sexual nature of lyrics heighten feelings of sexual inadequacy, promiscuity, loss of pleasure, and institutionalize the objectification of women (Wright & Qureshi, 2015). Even if the increase of overt sexual references has not increased as exponentially as the media reports it has, the fact that society is so fixated on it perpetuates an ideal of dichotomized sexual expression (Carden, 2012). In this dichotomy, someone is either totally sexually liberated or abstinent.

In addition, how a listener evaluates the lyrics of a song can depend on the gender of the artist. One study found that male listeners rated sexually explicit lyrics by female artists and innocuous lyrics by male artists as more preferable, perhaps due to the unexpected direction of the content (Carpentier et al., 2007). Additionally, male listeners rated female artists as more aggressive than female listeners rated male artists after listening to their songs about relationships (Carpentier et al., 2007). Clearly the content of songs as well as the sex of the singer can have important effects on those who listen to popular music.

#### 1.8 Love Songs in Country, Pop, and Rock and Roll

Our notions about relationships are certainly formed in part by the music we hear, and these notions may vary as a function of the time in which the music was written. Songs about love and relationships are preferred in mainstream culture (Friedlander, 1996), and love is a predominant theme in many songs, as demonstrated by a content analysis completed by Cole (1971) on the

Top 100 Billboard songs. Recently, the relationships that artists sing about have changed. While songs in the twentieth century primarily concerned long-term relationships, contemporary artists address a much wider range of relationships, including affairs, one-night stands, or casual flings (Christenson & Roberts, 1998). Thus, the time that a song is written can influence the content and style of the song lyrics (Dukes, Bisel, Borega, Lobato, & Owens, 2003). As others have noted, lyrics are a compelling reflection of the social structure at the time that they were written (Adorno, 1973; Stack & Gundlach, 1992).

Musical genres can also provide compelling reflections of different social groups. Although themes of sexuality, social activities, and socioeconomic status are represented in the lyrics of all genres of music, the way in which these topics are spoken about and the audiences to whom they are addressed, however, may vary from genre to genre. Country, pop, and rock and roll are three genres that have been most consistently listed on the Billboard Charts since the chart's conception in 1958 (Whitburn, 2001). Below a brief description of each genre is provided.

Country music is known for its story-telling nature, which leads to more detailed, lyrical content and fewer repetitions across the lyrical hooks. The demographic group to which country music stereotypically caters is Southern, rural, middle-aged members of the working or middle class (Peterson, 1992). Lively group activities, such as drinking and driving, as well as relationship dynamics are common subjects of country songs (Stack & Gundlach, 1992).

Pop music is commonly identified as the most mainstream of popular music and as fun dance music. It expresses commonly shared romantic events such as having a crush, being in love, and experiencing heartbreak. Pop music is generally aimed at heterosexual adolescents and younger adults. Importantly, pop music, unlike more classically defined genres, is generated for the masses (Tagg, 1982). Therefore, the artists within the pop genre aim to reach more general and

less niche audiences. The artists within this genre do so successfully: a study by Arnett (2002) found that young adults who listen to pop do so for several hours a day (as cited in Carpentier et al., 2007, p. 3). Pop music has historically been the musical genre that also perpetuates sociocultural norms regarding love, sex, and relationships (Carpentier et al., 2007). Therefore, it follows that pop music would be the earliest and most powerful disseminator of the rising variability in the types of romantic relationship that are societally acceptable (Christenson & Roberts, 1998). In other words, it is to be expected that references to casual sex are most clearly stated in pop music in contemporary music. Furthermore, in conjunction with the rise of hook-up culture in American culture, sexual references in pop music are likely to have become more prevalent over time.

Originally a subgroup of popular music, rock and roll music is less conventional in content. In contrast to pop, rock and roll music openly dissects societal truths (Gillett, 1984). The term "rock and roll" refers to either the first wave of rock music post-World War II, or the more encompassing genre that we call rock music today - at times, also known as pop rock (Gillett, 1984). Dominated by male artists, the messages of the lyrics are typically about broader issues and aimed at society as a whole. Due to the apparent absence of female rock and roll artists in the twentieth century, rock and roll also pioneered explicit references to sexual desire, where the unseen people that the lyrics addressed were women (Railton, 2001; Gillett, 1984).

#### 1.9 Gender and Genre

In addition to varying as a function of time period, the lyrics of love songs are influenced both by the gender of the artist and by the musical genre. Male and female artists differ in how messages about love and relationships are conveyed (Freudiger & Almquist, 1978). One study on expressions of love found that women's lyrics contain the most love words and more

concentrated dosages of references to sex (Dukes et al., 2003). This is consistent with the theory that women use speech to foster and maintain relationships and employ speech tactics to appeal to their conversation partners. Men and women sing about emotion and relationship-related topics in different ways, and additional examples of these differences are described in the sections below on each of the musical genres.

Some changes in lyrics over time have affected all three genres, country, pop and rock and roll. For example, all of them have shown an increase in references to sex since the conception of the Billboard Charts (Christenson & Roberts, 1998; Dukes et al., 2003; Freudiger & Almquist, 1978; Whitburn, 2001). Indeed, because of the striking ways in which sexual relationships are now reflected in lyrics, Kalof (1993) has gone as far as to suggest that "the sexual imagery of many songs is so powerful that it ultimately defines what is masculine and what is feminine" (p. 643).

But when it comes to relationship songs, each genre also has its own special characteristics as well. In some ways, genres of music are comparable to the speech communities discussed earlier on. Just like members of different speech communities use different scripts and codes to talk about the same concept, songs of different genres of music are unique in how their lyrics discuss topics such as love and sex (Freudiger & Almquist, 1978).

Country songs often discuss the tension and disconnect between the partners of a heterosexual relationship (Stack & Gundlach, 1992). Regarding the issue of disconnect, a study by Freudiger and Almquist (1978) found that lyrics by male country artists portrayed women positively, whereas the opposite occurs in the lyrics of female country artists. However, female country artists presented themselves as the weaker link in a relationship, which male artists seemed to be in agreement with: women in the lyrics by male artists are portrayed as supportive

yet submissive, inconsistent, and valued for their looks, rather than their abilities (Freudiger & Almquist, 1978).

Researchers have also found that country songs about break-ups are notably sadder than break-up songs from other genres (Ellison 1995; Fox, 1992; Kurzban, 2012; Stack & Gundlach, 1992). In his book about the culture surrounding this genre, author Curtis W. Ellison goes as far to say that "country songs feature a dominating commitment to stories of broken hearts and hard times" (Ellison, 1995, p. xviii). In fact, many country songs about relationships are categorized as melancholy and even promoting suicide (Stack & Gundlach, 1992). The noticeably high emotionality of these break-up songs could be due to the story-telling nature of country music. There is room for a more detailed account of the break-up and the artist's emotional life when there are fewer repetitions of the same lyrics within a song.

Rock and roll music started with many more popular male singers than female singers. Male artists are considered responsible for the origin of rock and roll and continue to be well represented in the genre (Gaar, 2002). While women are in the minority for this genre, male rock and roll artists make up for it by constantly singing about them (Cohen, 1997). Even further, the masculine basis of the rock and roll culture upholds a rigid divide between the roles that men and women fulfill in life (Cohen, 1997). Lyrics by male rock and roll artists describe relationships with women as polarizing: by painting the woman as the temptress, the male singer portrays himself as the victim in the relationship. In summary, rock songs typically lament relationships as the result of "vulnerable men threatened by the seductive woman" (Cohen, 1997, p. 29). However, a study by Carey (1969) found that the way in which rock and roll lyrics described romantic courtship had changed since the genre's conception. More specifically, the artist was no longer singing about the relationship that he was waiting to happen to him: he had gained the

agency to find one himself (Carey, 1969). This increase in male agency unfortunately correlated with a rise in female objectification in lyrics: women excelled at begging and engaging in sex and sex only (Whiteley, 2013, p. 39; Railton, 2001). In the same vein, rock and roll was one of the first genres where the lyrics sung by men shifted from talk of loving women to having sex with them. Rock and roll love songs starting in the 1960s often equated love with simple sexual desire (Carey, 1969, p. 725).

Relative to these two genres, pop music seems to be lighter in tone and message. The way pop lyrics talk about sex and love is "easy" and does not require much interpretation (Whiteley, 2013, p. 39). In particular, pop music from the 1950s is described as "mindless" and charged with naïve references to sexuality (Railter, 2001). As is still observed today, pop lyrics adhere to societal conventions and norms in their descriptions of gender roles and relationships (Hirsch, 2002). The target audience of pop music is a potential source of its conservative nature; pop music is made for the masses (Railter, 2001). While this may have been true mid-twentieth century and today, between the 1970s and 1980s, female pop artists such as Joni Mitchell and Annie Lenox challenged the conventionalized female roles and sexual identities that pop music perpetuated (Whiteley, 2013). Madonna is credited with introducing female pleasure and desire into mainstream music in the 1980s (Longhurst, 2007). Today, male artists in pop music are known for "crossing gender lines" in terms of the emotional content in their lyrics by divulging heartbreak and questioning their ability to fall in love again (Middleton, 2013, p. 322). However, while both men and women have been instrumental to this genre's success, Cubitt (2000) claims that the lyrics by both male and female pop artists subordinate women in heterosexual relationships (as cited in Middleton, 2013).

#### 1.10 Motivation

The motivation behind this study is to assess whether the gender differences that exist in conversational speech patterns also exist in the lyrics by male and female artists. I am interested in whether these differences vary based on musical genre and whether they change over time. Additionally, I am interested in the linguistic commonalities of lyrics across genres and generations, and whether these commonalities are typically gender-specific. Past literature has shown that the music we listen to can impact our thoughts and behavior. The lyrics of songs cater to large audiences and are representative of current social beliefs. Therefore, studying lyrics about love and relationships will reveal how these concepts are spoken about in the times that the songs were written. I am interested in studying what kinds of love-oriented songs by female artists become popular, and what distinguishes them from those sung by male artists. Another motivation for this study is the unique way in which messages are conveyed through the stylized structure of musical lyrics. The repetitions of a statement in lyrics reinforce the content of the message by increasing the frequency of exposure to the concept. Similarly, songs can be replayed many, many times. In other words, songs defy the transient nature of real-time conversation and therefore may affect their listeners in a different way. Past research has shown that the music people choose to listen to influences how the listeners process and perceive the world (Freudiger & Almquist, 1978). The evidence for the impact that musical lyrics have on listeners provides the grounds for a study on how lyrics vary as a function of artist gender across genres and generations.

#### **CHAPTER TWO**

#### Introduction

The present study investigates whether the gender-specific linguistic features in everyday conversation are also present in the song lyrics of male and female artists across multiple genres and time periods. Female speakers are more likely to place themselves in a lower position of power through the use of speech characteristics such as lengthy emotional expressions, hedging, questions, and implicit requests (Tannen, 1998). Conversely, men are more likely to only use language when there is a direct need, such as maintaining one's status in a group, and are therefore less likely to speak in accommodation of others. It can thus be inferred that stereotypical male speech features may include self-references, explicit requests, powerful assertions, and sexually explicit remarks. Prior research suggests that song lyrics exhibit some similar patterns (Pettijohn & Sacco, 2009; Dukes et al., 2003). Examples of a gender-specific difference in song lyrics include that men are more likely to make references to sex (Dukes et al., 2003), and that men are more likely to reference violence than women (Fischer & Greitemeyer, 2016).

In order to see whether speech features that are recognized as typical of either males or females also appeared in song lyrics, a list of potential gender-linked features was compiled. These features were overall word count, the use of superfluous filler words, exclusively self-referential pronouns (such as "I" or "me"), inclusive pronouns (such as "you and I" or "we"), terms of endearment, references to romantic feelings, implicit and explicit sexual references, the amount of confident language, and implicit and explicit requests.

Are men or women more likely to speak at greater length? Men are thought to speak more than women due to observations of men's speech in public domains (Tannen, 1991). Yet, women are stereotypically held to speak too much and thus expected to speak less (Coates, 1993). Other research has shown that the amount that men and women speak is domaindependent, and that women typically speak the most in household domains about private and more emotional matters (Tannen, 1991; Gordon, 1997; Takano, 2005). Female speech is generally considered more emotionally laden. Furthermore, the notion of female "troubles talk" adds to the stereotype that women are more likely to divulge the intimate details of their problems (Mehl & Pennebaker, 2003). While the intent may only be to foster rapport between the listener and the speaker, this type of speech is one of the reasons why women are seen to be more dependent on their relationships with others than men (Mehl & Pennebaker, 2003; Tannen, 1998). The lyrics of songs about relationships explore the inner emotional lives of the singers, so, I predict that the lyrics by female artists in songs about romantic love should be longer and more emotionally expressive.

*Hypothesis 1*: Since the content of relationship songs is emotionally laden, the word count in song lyrics by female artists will be longer than those by male artists.

Although hedges, including the use of words such as "sort of" or "rather," don't typically occur in lyrics, the filler words in song lyrics can be compared to hedges in that they have little linguistic value: omitting a filler word or a hedge does not detract from the content of the message. However, hedges or hesitancy markers such as "um" or "like" fulfill a slightly different purpose than some of the non-additive filler words found in song lyrics. A hedge is a speech feature that solely exhibits hesitancy and dampens the impact of a statement, and it is typically found more frequently in the speech of women or in people with lower status (Tannen, 1991). As described in the previous chapter, hedges can be used to prompt a confirmation from the listener regardless of the speaker's actual knowledge of the subject. As such, hedges can also be

interpreted as a politeness strategy often employed by women (Tannen, 1991). In songs, vocalizations such as "ooh oohs" and exclamatory terms such as "hey!" serve a variety of purposes. Filler words can be used to round out the beat, allow the artist to catch his or her breath, to modify a rhyme, and so forth. Filler words can also been viewed as a form of hesitation, like hedges, and another purpose of filler words is to gain the listener's attention, which is something that women tend to do more than men.

*Hypothesis 2*: The lyrics sung by female artists will contain more filler words due to the hesitant and accommodating speech patterns found in women's speech.

As discussed in the previous chapter, female speech is often used to facilitate relationships with others. One way in which female speakers integrate their listeners into a conversation is by using inclusive pronouns such as "we" or "you and I". Additionally, a speaker can draw attention to individual members of a group by using pronouns that specifically refer to other interlocutors (such as "you"). Conversely, in order to assert power, independence, and dominance, male speakers often use self-referential pronouns such as "I" or "me". I therefore predict that songs by female artists will have more instances of "We" and "you and I" and that songs by male artists will have more instances of "I" and "me".

*Hypothesis 3:* Female artists' song lyrics will contain a higher frequency of inclusionary pronouns ("you and I" and "we") and will also use more second person pronouns ("you") due to the expectation that women use language to foster relationships and maintain rapport.

*Hypothesis 4*: The lyrics by male artists will contain a higher number of self-referential pronouns ("I" and "me") since men are stereotypically use speech to assert themselves and negotiate their status within a social hierarchy.

Another way a speaker can draw attention to his or her listeners is by addressing them with specific terms. Terms of endearment, such as "honey," "sweetie," or "baby," communicate the speaker's feelings towards the addressee. As discussed in the previous chapter, women have been found to use more terms of endearment than men in everyday conversation. I predict that the same pattern will be found in song lyrics.

*Hypothesis 5*: Song lyrics by female artists will have more instances of terms of endearment since women are thought to use language to include and flatter their interlocutors and to maintain relationships.

*Hypothesis 6*: Female artists will include more love references in their lyrics than male artists due to the belief that women use language to maintain relationships and are more likely to use emotionally laden terms.

References in song lyrics to appearance, physical features, and sex have become more explicit over the last sixty years. In fact, as noted in the previous chapter researchers have identified a rise in the frequency and explicitness of sexual references in song lyrics of all genres since the late 1950s (Carpentier et al., 2007; Dukes et al., 2003). While a study by Cole (1971) found that 71% of all popular music in the 1960s was about love, the predominant song content was heartbreak or innocent romantic acts (p. 394). In that era, the 14% of top-rated songs that did talk about sex did so implicitly. In contrast, a study of the 2009 Billboard Charts revealed that 92% of the top-rated songs in recent popular music were about sex (Hobbs & Gallup, 2011). Another study by Cougar Hall, West, and Hill (2012) found that the number of sexual references in popular music more than quadrupled between 1970 and 2009 (as cited in Wright & Qureshi, 2015). Furthermore, the more messages about sex that a song contained, the higher it was ranked (Hobbs & Gallup, 2011). References to sex can also demonstrate a singer's confidence in his or her sexuality. I predict that men will demonstrate more talk about sex than women in song lyrics about relationships.

*Hypothesis* 7: The sexual references used by female song artists' will be more implicit in nature than those used by men.

*Hypothesis 8:* The sexual references used by male song artists' will be more explicit in nature than used by women.

*Hypothesis 9*: The total number of sexual references in song lyric will be highest in the lyrics by male artists.

Hypothesis 10: The frequency of sexual references in lyrics will increase over time.

As noted above and in chapter 1, the demonstration of power is one of the most commonly identified differences between male and female speakers. Female speakers are more likely to place themselves in a lower position of power in everyday speech. This is especially true when female speakers are conversing with male speakers (Coates, 2004; Tannen, 1991; Tannen, 1998). A person's agency can be demonstrated through his or her self-assessments of independence and ability. People in positions of power generally exhibit a confidence in their ability to achieve their goals. Verbal statements made by male and female speakers can be assessed for this type of confidence, which is typically described as agency.

*Hypothesis 11:* The lyrics by male artists' will have higher scores of agency than those by women since male speech is typically associated with more dominant, aggressive, and self-asserting speech patterns and phrasal choices.

Women and men appear to differ in their use of requests and the type that they make. According to prior research, women ask more questions than men do (Fishman, 1997; Tannen, 1991). As described in the previous chapter, women stereotypically ask questions to foster

rapport between themselves and their partners or to decrease the authority of their statements, such as through the use of tag questions (Coates, 1996; Coates, 2004; Myklebust, 2014). Due to the generalization that women's speech is more hesitant, it can be inferred that the type of requests that women make are more likely to implicit, and when men do make requests, they are more likely to make explicit demands. In a conversation about a break-up, a woman is more likely to ask her partner to return or to reconsider the relationship. However, she may do so implicitly with statements such as "I'm so lonely without you". A man, on the other hand, may get straight to the point and just ask his partner to come back. Therefore, I predict female song artists to make a greater number of requests overall. When male artists do make requests, I predict that these requests will be more explicit than those made by the female artists.

*Hypothesis 12:* Due to the hesitancy and accommodation tactics of female rapport-style speech, the lyrics by female artists' will include more requests than those by men but will be more implicit in nature.

*Hypothesis 13:* The requests made by male artists in song lyrics will be more explicit in nature than those made by female artists.

#### Method

#### Song Selection

A total of 179 relationship songs were selected from the Hot 100 Billboard Charts based on criteria of musical genre, gender of artist, and time period. Approximately 60 songs were chosen from each of the charts specific to 1958-1960, 1985-1987, and 2012-2014. Within each respective time period, 20 country, 20 pop, and 20 rock and roll songs were selected. For each genre, the representation of male and female artists in the song selections was equally split. In addition to the categories of genre, gender, and time period, the songs were selected based on their ranking. For example, five of the selected country songs by female artists during 1985-1987 were listed as the top five country songs sung by female artists on the Hot 100 Billboard Chart in 1985. When the number of songs on the Hot 100 Billboard Charts that matched the criteria was insufficient, the additional songs were drawn from the Billboard Charts specific to a genre, such as Hot Country or Top 100 Rock and Roll. In the earliest time period, 1958-1960, a total of only nine rock & and roll songs by female artists were ranked in the 100 songs of the Billboard Charts and the chart specific to rock and roll. Therefore, only nine songs by female artists were analyzed for this time period of this musical genre. See Appendix A for a list of the songs and Appendix B for the lyrics of each song.

#### Linguistic Analysis

### **Word Counts**

Two raters conducted all linguistic analyses and narrative ratings. The total number of words in each song was tallied. Filler words, such as "Ooh!" and "Hey, hey, hey", were subtracted from the overall word counts since they did not add to the semantic content of the song. The number of filler words was also recorded. Each repetition was counted as an additional instance.

#### **Pronouns & Terms of Address**

Pronouns, such as "you," "I," "we," "she," and "he" were recorded in terms of type and frequency. The recorded pronouns were used by artists to either talk about themselves or their addressee. Terms of endearment, such as "honey," "stunner," and "baby," were also documented for instance type and frequency. The pronouns and terms of endearment were also qualitatively evaluated relative to the relationship between the singer and addressee.

### **References to Love & Sex**

Phrases and/or individual words about love, such as the word "love" itself, were coded on a binary scale (1 = present) for frequency. In addition, the overall number of love and/or sex statements was collected for each song. Phrases and/or individual words about sex, whether described implicitly or overtly, were coded so that 0 = no sexual reference, 1 = implicit sexual reference, and 2 = explicit sexual reference. An example of an implicit sexual reference would be "And once we start the meter clicks/And it goes running all through the night" (see "All Through The Night" in Appendix B). An example of an explicit sexual reference would be "Getting drunk on the thought of you naked" (see "Scream" in Appendix B).

#### Narrative Coding

## Agency

Narrative psychology coding systems were used to quantitatively determine the frequency and magnitude of expressions of agency in the lyrics (McAdams, 2001; McAdams, 2008). The level of agency that an artist expressed in his or her lyrics was determined by rating individual expressions of positive self-construal, status, achievement, and power (Bakan, 1966; McAdams, 2002). Agency ratings are just as applicable to statements lacking positive self-construal; in that case, agency is rated on the lack of power, status, and so forth. Each agentic statement was individually rated on a scale from 0 to 5 (0 = non-existent, 5 = extremely agentic). The mean of all individual ratings was used to look at a song's overall agency score. Below are examples of all the possible agency ratings.

**5** = "Baby, I'm not like the rest" (see "Give Your Heart A Break" in Appendix B)

4 = "Don't need you now, so just go on back down" (see "Old Moon" in Appendix B)

3 = "I'll be the first to say that I was wrong" (see "When I Was Your Man" in AppendixB)

**2** = "I want to be wanted" (see "I Want To Be Wanted" in Appendix B)

1 = "The tears I cried for you could fill an ocean" (see "Everybody's Somebody's Fool in Appendix B).

**0** = "Cause you and I both know I have no love" (see "Old Moon" in Appendix B)

## Requests

The number of implicit or explicit requests made by the artist was also recorded. An example of an implicit request is "Please don't make me dream alone" (see "Dream Lover" in Appendix B). This statement on its own indicates that the artist would like to be accompanied by her lover, yet in the context of the song, it is clear that she is requesting sex. Therefore, this request is implicit because its true meaning is contextually based. An explicit request could be as simple as "Return to me" (see "Return To Me" in Appendix B).

#### Results

A comparison of the coders' individual results showed that the interrater-reliability was .86. Since the raters appeared to be largely in agreement in how they coded the songs, the ratings from the author (JG) were used in all the analyses.

One-way between-subject ANOVAs were conducted to compare the effect of gender, time period, and genre on word count, filler words, the percentage of self-referential pronouns ("I" and "me"), inclusive pronouns ("you and I"/"we"), terms of endearment (i.e. "honey," "sugar," or "baby"), love references, implicit sexual references, explicit sexual references, and total sexual references made in song lyrics relative to the length of the song. Additionally, oneway between-subject ANOVAs were conducted to see if the effect of gender, genre, and time period on the scores of agency and the number of implicit, explicit, and total requests made in a song.

# Hypothesis 1: Word Count

The only significant main effect on word count was time period. It had a highly significant effect on the word count of song lyrics [F(1, 178) = 203.7, p <.001). Post hoc tests revealed that word count increased significantly from the first time period to the second (t = -9.0318, p <.001) and from the second time period to the third (t = -13.58, p <.001), and from the first to the third (t = -13.58, p <.001). See Figure 1.

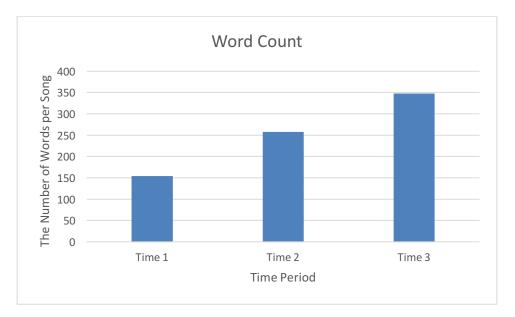


Figure 1. The number of words for song lyrics of all genres and across genders over time.

#### Hypothesis 2: Filler Words

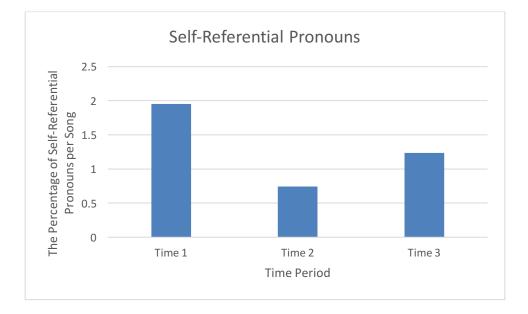
While insignificant, gender had an effect on the use of filler words, where men tended to use more than women in their song lyrics, where men had an average of 5% of the word count made up filler words whereas women only had 3%.

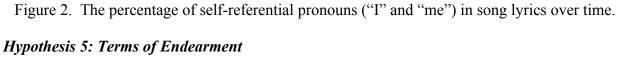
# Hypothesis 3: Inclusionary Pronouns ("You and I"/ "We")

There were no significant effects of gender, genre, or time period on the use of inclusionary ("you and I" and "we") pronouns.

#### Hypothesis 4: Self-Referential Pronouns

Counter to hypothesis, gender did not have an effect on the number of self-referential pronouns ("I" and "me") used in song lyrics. The only significant effect was time period, which had a significant effect on the frequency of self-referential pronouns [F(1, 178) = 8.866, p = .003]. Post-hoc tests revealed that the percentage of "I" and "me" in song lyrics dropped between the first and second time period (t = 2.145, p = 0.035), however the differences between the first and third (t = 1.1196, p = .265) and second and third time periods (t = -1.2927, p = .199) were insignificant. See Figure 2.





There were no significant effects of gender, genre, or time period on the number of terms of endearment used in song lyrics.

# Hypothesis 6: Love References

There was a significant main effect of time period on the percentage of love references per song [F(2, 178) = 8.899, p = .003]. Love references decreased over time from the first time period to the second (t = 2.493, p = .014) and from the first to the third (t = 2.839, p = .006). The change in the percentage of love references per song from the second to the third time period was insignificant (t = .255, p = .799). See Figure 3.

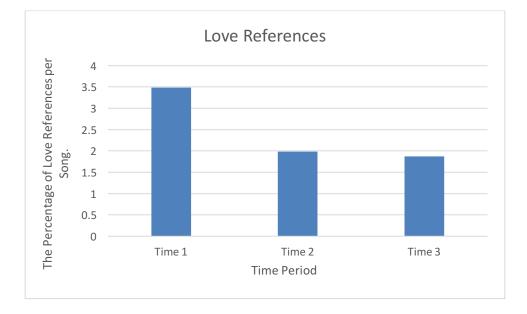


Figure 3. The percentage of love references per song over time.

There was a significant interaction effect of genre and time period on the percentage of love references per song as well [F(4, 178) = 2.898, p = .024]. While time had a clear main effect on the percentage of love references where the percentage consistently decreased, the same pattern was not present for any of the genres across the three time periods. However, the percentage of love references per genre in the third time period tended to be lower than the percentage of love references in the first time period, thought not significantly so: country (t = 1.646, p = 0.108), pop (t = 2.050, p = 0.051), and rock (t = 1.397, p = 0.171). See Figure 4.

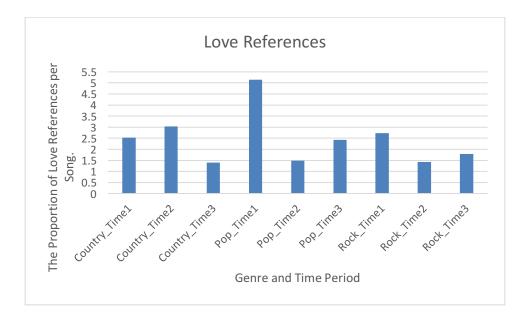
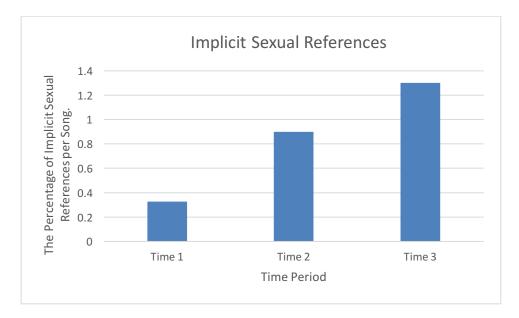


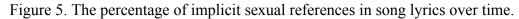
Figure 4. The interaction effect of genre and time period on the percentage of love references per

song.

# Hypothesis 7: Implicit Sexual References

There was no significant effect of genre on the percentage of implicit sexual references per song. There was a significant effect of time period for the number of implicit sexual references made in song lyrics [F(2, 178) = 4.94, p = .027]. Implicit sexual references increased between the first time period to the second (t = -2.511, p = .014) and the first time period to the third (t = -3.042, p = .003). There was no significant difference between the second and third time period (t = -1.095, p = .276). See Figure 5.





# Hypothesis 8: Explicit Sexual References

While it was predicted that men would use more explicit sexual references than women in song, gender did not have a significant effect on how many explicit sexual references were made. While there was no main effect of gender or time, there was an interaction effect of time period and genre for explicit sexual references [F(4, 178) = 2.455, p = .048]. See Figure 6.

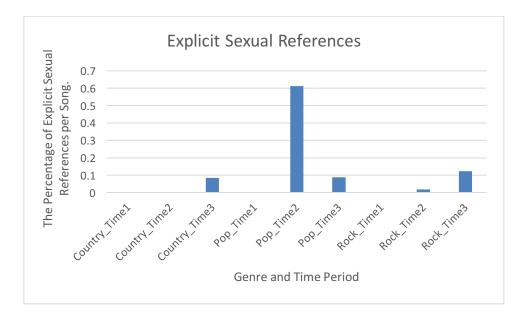
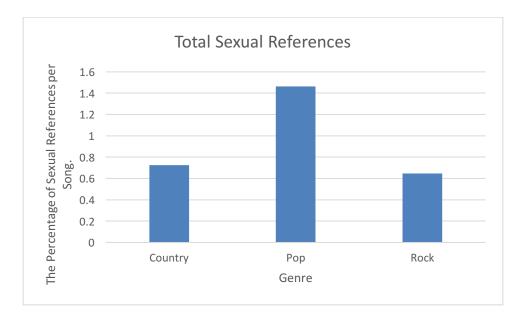
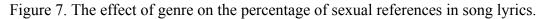


Figure 6. The interaction effect of genre and time period on the percentage of explicit sexual references per song.

# Hypothesis 9: Total Sexual References

While there was no significant main effect of gender, there was a significant effect of genre on the overall percentage of sexual references relative to song length [F(2, 178) = 3.223, p = .042]. The significant effect of musical genre on the overall number of sexual references was specific to pop, where pop had the highest frequency in comparison to both country (t = -1.732, p = .086) and rock (t = 2.075, p = .041). There was no significant difference between the total number of sexual references in country and rock (t = .287, p = .775). See Figure 7.





# Hypothesis 10: Changes in Sexual References over Time

The effect of time period on the total number of sexual references made was also significant [F(2, 178) = 4.827, p = .009]. Time period also has an effect on the aggregate of sexual references where the percentage increased from the first time period to the second (t = - 2.517, p = .014) and from the second time period to the third (t = -3.157, p = .002). The increase between the first and third time period was also significant (t = -3.157, p = .002). See Figure 8.

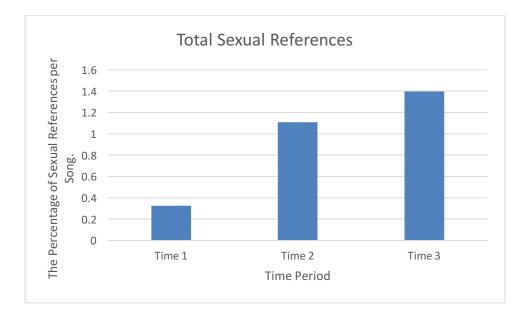


Figure 8. The percentage of total sexual references per song over time.

# Hypothesis 11: Agency

While only marginally significant, there was an interaction effect of time period and genre for agency [F(4, 178) = 2.421, p = .051]. Country was the only genre where scores of agency rose in an upward trend. The increase of agency scores in country songs was statistically significant between the first time period to the third (t = -2.493, p = .017), whereas the differences between the first to the second (t = -.771, p = .446) and the second to the third (t = -1.622, p = 0.114) were not. The differences in scores of agency between the time periods for pop were not significant between the first and the third (t = .621, p = .539), the first and the second (t = 1.038, p = .307), and the second and the third (t = -.529, p = .600). In rock, agency scores increased from the first to the second time period at a statistically significant level (t = -2.284, p = .029), however, the differences between the first and third (t = -.920, p = .364) and the second and the third (t = 1.435, p = .160). See Figure 9.

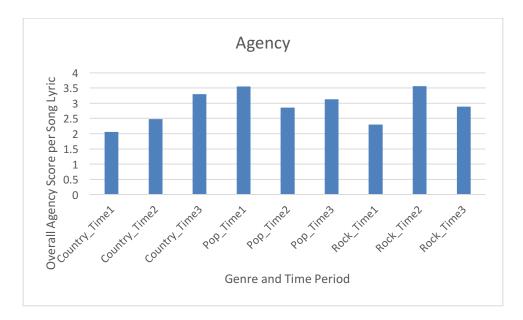


Figure 9. The interaction effect of genre and time period on the overall agency score per song.

# Hypothesis 12: Implicit Requests/Total Number of Requests

There was a significant effect of gender in the overall frequency of implicit requests [F(2, 178) = 4.063, p = .046]. It was the only significant effect or interaction. Contrary to the hypothesis, there was no main effect of gender on the *total* number of requests made in song lyrics. See Figure 10.

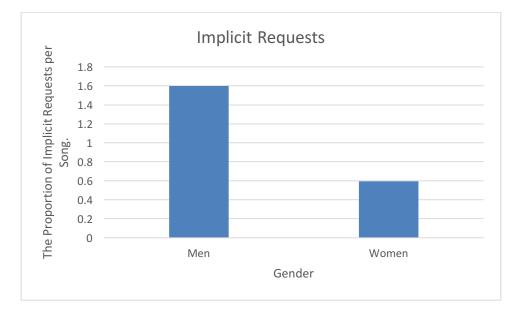


Figure 10. The proportion of implicit requests by men and women in song lyrics.

## Hypothesis 13: Explicit Requests

There was also an interaction effect of time period and gender for explicit requests [F(2, 178) = 4.695, p = .010], where a post-hoc test revealed that women made more explicit requests than men in the third time period (t = 2.193, p = .036). There were no significant differences between the number of explicit requests in song lyrics between men and women in the first time period (t = -.834, p = .408) or the second (t = -1.577, p = .123). See Figure 11.

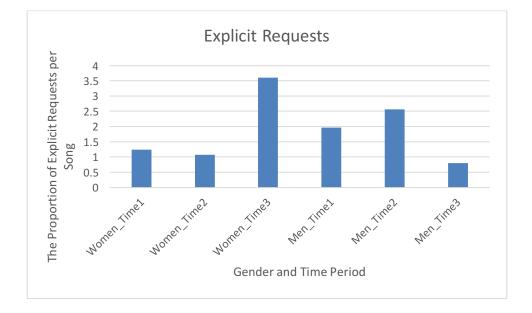


Figure 11. The interaction effect of gender and time period on the number of explicit requests per song.

# Discussion

# The Effect of Time Period

The data analysis revealed that time period had the most significant effect on the examined variables in song lyrics. Time period had a significant main effect on the number of words used by song artists in song lyrics, where the word count increased over the three time periods for songs of all genres. In other words, the top-ranked songs, and perhaps all songs, became longer over time.

In contrast, the percentage of self-referential pronouns in song lyrics decreased significantly from period 1 to period 2. Time also had a main effect on the percentage of love references in song lyrics. As supported by the previous literature, love references decreased significantly over time from period 1 to period 2 as implicit sex references increased. Concurrently, the percentage of the combined implicit and explicit sexual references in song lyrics increased significantly from the first to the second and from the second to the most recent time period that was examined in this study (cf. Dukes et al., 2003). Thus, as predicted, the number of sexual references in song lyrics increased over time for songs of all genres by male and female artists. The sparseness of the data for the percentage of explicit sexual references in song lyrics may be the reason why that data does not follow this upward trend.

# The Effect of Genre

Genre also produced a number of significant main effects and interactions. It had a main effect on the overall percentage of sexual references made in song lyrics, where pop songs had the highest number in comparison to country and rock. This is consistent with the finding that pop music had the greatest shift towards being purely sexual in nature. As noted in the introduction section of this chapter, research has shown that current pop songs have four times the amount of sexual references as compared to the pop songs of the 1970s (Cougar Hall, West, & Hill, 2012, as cited in Wright & Qureshi, 2015). Additionally, as discussed in the first chapter, the content matter of pop songs is most likely to be about love and relationships (Cole, 1971). Furthermore, as the music of the mainstream culture, popular music is most likely to reflect changes in social norms and public opinion; this includes the rising dialogue about hook-up culture and sexual liberation. Therefore, it comes as no surprise that pop music had the highest number of sexual references in light of the type of sexual relationships that are common in

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culture today. The number of sexual references in country and rock songs did not differ significantly. Contrary to hypothesis, gender did not have an effect on the number of sexual references made in song lyrics by male and female artists.

#### The Interaction Effect of Time Period and Genre

There was a significant interaction effect of musical genre and explicit sexual references, where pop songs from both male and female artists tended to have more explicit sexual references than country or rock songs in the second time period. This is consistent with the literature that cites pop as the genre that challenged conventional gender and sexual identity roles in the 1970s and 1980s (Whiteley, 2013; Longhurst, 2007). However, there weren't as many explicit sexual references represented in songs as initially expected. In fact, explicit sexual references tended to be outliers.

There was also a marginally significant interaction effect of genre and time period on how agentic a song was rated to be. As pointed out in the results section, country was the only genre where agency consistently increased over time, although the only significant increase was between time periods 2 and 3. Pop songs didn't show any significant differences among time periods, whereas rock songs' scores leveled off in the 1980s after an initial rise after the 1960s.

# The Effect of Gender

Counter to hypothesis, the level of agency demonstrated in song lyrics was not affected by gender, whereas demonstrating reduced levels of agency relative to men in conversational speech may be the female norm. It is possible that this type of effect is only observed in the dynamic of a two-way conversation, rather than in the one-sided "dialogue" of a singer in song. One alterative possible factor for this failure to find a gender difference was that there weren't enough songs by female artists ranked for rock in the earliest time period analyzed. In order to have equal numbers of top-ranked songs by both male and female artists, multiple of the top-ranked songs for a given time period and genre were by the same female artist. The data were perhaps confounded by the beliefs her lyrics conveyed and the linguistic manner in which these beliefs were presented.

The results show that gender also did not have the predicted effects on the use of other speech features in song lyrics. For example, gender did not have a significant effect on the number of filler words that song artists used in their lyrics. Furthermore, and counter to hypothesis, the trend that the analysis did illustrate is that male artists tended to use more filler words than female artists in their song lyrics. Gender also did not have a significant effect on the number of inclusionary pronouns ("you and I" and "we") or self-referential pronouns ("I" and "me) that a song artist used. Additionally, gender did not have a main effect on the number of terms of endearment song artists used to address future, present, or past romantic partners. In other words, men and women did not use different or varying levels of terms of address when speaking to or about relationship partners.

Finally, gender did not have an effect on the overall number of requests made by male or female song artists. Gender also did not have the expected effect on the type of requests made by song artists. While gender did have an effect on the number of implicit requests made in song lyrics, it was men, not women, who asked more. This finding also countered the hypothesis that women would be more likely to use a speech feature that serves to include interlocutors and to foster rapport in the relationship. However, the analyses showed that the majority of requests made in songs were implicit in nature, which means that songs with explicit requests tended to be outliers. Since the songs analyzed in this study were about relationships, the predominant

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number of requests made in long lyrics were romantic and/or sexual in nature. Therefore, it is important to consider that men's requests for sex or intimacy have traditionally been implicit in nature due to societal expectations. In light of the predominate number of implicit requests, the finding that men make more implicit requests in song lyrics no longer seems to be so contrary to the hypothesis; it may still show that men are more willing to speak of their sexual desires, even though it might be implicitly, than women.

#### The Interaction Effect of Gender and Time Period

There was an interaction effect of gender and time period on the number of explicit requests made in song lyrics. However, counter to hypothesis, the results showed that in the most contemporary time period, women made more explicit requests than men in song lyrics. It would have been reasonable to expect that agency scores and the number of explicit requests per song would have been positively correlated: the more independent and confident a singer makes himself out to be, the more likely it is that he will be direct when asking for what he needs. Unfortunately, the patterns of explicit requests and agency scores did not look the same. This finding can be attributed to the sparseness of the data for explicit requests. It is possible that the sparseness of explicit requests relative to the abundancy of agency scores is why the predicted relationship between rising agency scores and requests made did not occur. Perhaps more would be revealed about the relationship between agency scores and explicit requests in a context where more data for the latter is available.

#### **General Discussion**

Even though this experiment allowed us to replicate some of the findings in past literature, the gender effects were not as predicted. I believe that there are two possible explanations. Firstly, the women who become successful female song artists may not be representative of all

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women and how they speak. Secondly, it may be that the gender-specific linguistic patterns that exist in everyday speech are present due to the interactive nature of the situation.

It may be that female artists may adjust their lyrics to parallel those by men in order to be successful within the music industry. Thus, a potential reason as to why gender did not have the main effect on the examined variables is gender-related: it may be that, in order for women to succeed within the music industry, that female artists go counter to expectations in their song lyrics. Furthermore, what we hear in lyrics may not be what the female artists believe themselves. Instead, due to the stylized and business-oriented nature of the art form, lyrics cater to audience expectations and desires. Perhaps mainstream audiences don't want to hear a woman sing about how unhappy she is, how weak she feels, or how inconsequential her existence is without her partner.

Moreover, the songs that make it to the Hot 100 Billboard Charts are not always representative of the artists who make them. For example, the songs by Kelly Clarkson and Taylor Swift that were analyzed for the latest time period in rock and country, respectively, are special instances where the female singers assert themselves in a particular way. In the song "What Doesn't Kill You Makes You Stronger," Kelly Clarkson vocalizes her independence as a single woman and how being "alone" makes her "stand a little taller" (see Appendix B). In contrast, Kelly Clarkson's newest song "Piece by Piece" contain lyrics of extremely low agentic power, such as "/I traveled fifteen hundred miles to see you/Begged you to want me, but you didn't want to/"<sup>1</sup>. Similarly, Taylor Swift's song "We Are Never Ever Getting Back Together" is all about girl power and being able to say no to toxic relationships. The same album that this

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>https://play.google.com/music/preview/Tcup2bfdryrlvevhyep4zupr6su?lyrics=1&utm\_source=g oogle&utm\_medium=search&utm\_campaign=lyrics&pcampaignid=kp-lyrics

song was drawn from includes songs such as "All Too Well"<sup>1</sup> and "The Last Time"<sup>2</sup>, with lyrics such as

"And I know it's long gone And that magic's not here no more And I might be okay, But I'm not fine at all."<sup>2</sup> and "This is the last time I'm asking you this, Put my name at the top of your list,

This is the last time I'm asking you why,

You break my heart in the blink of an eye, eye, eye."<sup>3</sup>

These two examples suggest that the types of songs by women that are top-ranked are 1) not representative of the artists' entire corpus of music and beliefs, and 2) not representative of the variability in how women speak on a regular basis about love and relationships. One might argue that the same is true for male artists. However, due to the greater variability in the use of stereotypically masculine speech features in the lyrics of top-ranked songs by male artists, I do not believe that this is true. For example, two very popular male artists represented in different time periods (1958-1960 and 2012-2014, respectively) in the rock genre had top-rated songs that were either extremely vulnerable or sexually explicit and assertive. In Elvis Presley's song "I Beg Of You," he asks his lover to remain true to him and to treat him gently:

"I don't want my heart to be broken

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup><u>https://play.google.com/music/preview/Tdiexj4t33pv5cwqhjzyq7f2r4y?lyrics=1&utm\_source=g</u> <u>oogle&utm\_medium=search&utm\_campaign=lyrics&pcampaignid=kp-songlyrics</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> <u>http://www.azlyrics.com/lyrics/taylorswift/thelasttime.html</u>

Cause it's the only one I've got

So darling please be careful

You know I care a lot

Darling please don't break my heart

I beg of you" (See Appendix B).

On the other hand, in his song "Stuck On You," while it is a love song, he emphasizes his sexual prowess and ability to tame a lover due to his sexual aptitude:

"I'm gonna stick like glue

Stick, because I'm

Stuck on you

Hide in the kitchen, hide in the hall

Ain't gonna do you no good at all

'Cause once I catch ya and the kissin' starts

A team o' wild horses couldn't tear us apart" (See Appendix B).

Similarly, Maroon 5's song "Payphone" is about heartbreak and the singer's vulnerability

in his newfound loneliness:

"Oh, you turned your back on tomorrow

'Cause you forgot yesterday.

I gave you my love to borrow,

But you just gave it away.

You can't expect me to be fine,

I don't expect you to care

I know I've said it before

But all of our bridges burned down" (See Appendix B).

In contrast, the band's song "Animals" is literally about hunting down the singer's object of affection, his "prey":

"Baby, I'm preying on you tonight Hunt you down eat you alive Just like animals, animals, like animals-mals Maybe you think that you can hide I can smell your scent from miles" (See Appendix B).

In this study, there are no examples where female artists had both songs that were consistent with or counter to traditionally feminine language features or gender roles. This is further evidence that the types of songs by female artists that become top-rated are not necessarily representative of stereotypically female speech patterns or behavior.

If gender-specific speech features emerge most clearly in the context of dynamic discourse, then it perhaps should not be expected that they would emerge in the one-sided and monologue-style performance of a song. Since past research has shown that the amount that men and women speak is domain-dependent, accounting for the number of words in song lyric may not have been appropriate to capture a gender-specific difference in lyrical expression. Or it may be that the length of popular songs, whether they are sung by men or women, is determined by music producers. Similarly, whereas men and women may purposefully use pronouns to negotiate status in a speech interaction, the stylized context of lyrics may elicit a different type of engagement with an addressee. While discourse in everyday conversation is generally a process of give-and-take, lyrics are written as an artist's monologue. Furthermore, a message that is conveyed through lyrics has a much clearer and edited intent. An everyday conversation, on the

other hand, is facilitated through feedback, paralinguistic cues, and the context of the interlocutor relationship. The one-way nature of the interaction in the context of lyrics may be why the use of "I," "me," "you and I," and "we" may not have had any effect.

If top-ranked songs by female artists tend to be atypical in their gender-specific speech features, a future direction for a study on the gender-specific linguistic features in song lyrics may involve looking at all of the songs from a particular artist who had a top-ranked song in a certain time period. This information could reveal 1) if the top-ranked song is similar to the artist's corpus of songs and 2) if the artist is consistent in his or her lyrics and the way he or she addresses romantic partners. If gender-specific speech features require conversational interaction in order to emerge, it may be necessary to examine interviews of the artists whose songs were top-ranked. Do the artists speak in more gender-specific ways in such face-to-face interactions? Future studies such as the ones proposed here could help to shed light on whether genderspecific speech characteristics appear in less popular songs or whether it is necessary for there to be verbal interactions between men and women for gender-related speech characteristics to emerge.

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# Appendix A

### Song Titles and Artists

# Country | Female Artists | 1958-1960

- 1. "He's Lost His Love For Me", Kitty Wells
- 2. "I Can't Stop Loving You", Kitty Wells
- 3. "I Want To Go Where No One Knows Me", Jean Shepard
- 4. "He'll Have To Stay", Jeanne Black
- 5. "Are You Willing, Willie", Marion Worth
- 6. "The Wedding", June Valli
- 7. "Fibbin'", Pattie Page
- 8. "But You Use To", Laverne Downs
- 9. "Poor Old Heartsick Me", Margie Bowes
- 10. "Old Moon", Betty Foley

## Country | Male Artists | 1958-1960

- 1. "Under Your Spell Again", Buck Morgan
- 2. "Sal's Got A Sugarlip", Johnny Horton
- 3. "Country Girl", Faron Young
- 4. "Who Cares", Don Gibson
- 5. "I Ain't Never", Webb Pierce
- 6. "Somebody Lied", Ricky Van Shelton
- 7. "He'll Have To Go", Jim Reeves
- 8. "El Paso", Marty Robbins
- 9. "Please Help Me", I'm Falling, Hank Locklin

10. "Heartaches By The Number", Guy Mitchell

# Country | Female Artists | 1985-1987

- 1. "Radio Heart", Charly McClain
- 2. "She's Single Again", Janie Fricke
- 3. "Fallin' In Love", Sylvia
- 4. "Never Be You", Roseanne Cash
- 5. "Have Mercy", The Judds
- 6. "Whoever's In New England", Reba McEntire
- 7. "What Am I Gonna Do About You", Reba McEntire
- 8. "Cry Myself To Sleep, The Judds
- 9. "You Again", The Forester Sisters
- 10. "I Don't Know Why You Don't Want Me", Roseanne Cash

## Country | Male Artists | 1985-1987

- 1. "Lost In The Fifties Tonight", Ronnie Milsap
- 2. "Dixie Road", Lee Greenwood
- 3. "Modern Day Romance", Nitty Gritty Dirt Band
- 4. "Too Much On My Heart", The Statler Brothers
- 5. "I Don't Mind The Thorns (If You're The Rose)", Lee Greenwood
- 6. "I'll Never Stop Loving You", Gary Morris
- 7. "Give Me Wings", Michael Johnson
- 8. "Half Past Forever (Till I'm Blue In The Heart)", T.G. Sheppard
- 9. "Fishin' In The Dark", Nitty Gritty Dirt Band
- 10. "Morning Desire", Kenny Rogers

# Country | Female Artists | 2012-2014

- 1. "Good Girl", Carrie Underwood
- 2. "Why Ya Wanna", Jana Kramer
- 3. "Over You", Miranda Lambert
- 4. "Mama's Broken Heart", Miranda Lambert
- 5. "We Are Never Ever Getting Back Together", Taylor Swift
- 6. "See You Again", Carrie Underwood
- 7. "Automatic", Miranda Lambert
- 8. "Wasting All These Tears", Cassadee Pope
- 9. "The Heart Of Dixie", Danielle Bradbery
- 10. "Slow Me Down", Sara Evans

# Country | Male Artists | 2012-2014

- 1. "Wanted", Hunter Hayes
- 2. "Drunk On You", Luke Bryan
- 3. "Springsteen", Eric Church
- 4. "Cruise", Florida Georgia Line
- 5. "Wagon Wheel", Darius Rucker
- 6. "Crash My Party", Luke Bryan
- 7. "I Want Crazy", Hunter Hayes
- 8. "This Is How We Roll", Florida Georgia Line ft. Luke Bryan
- 9. "Classic", MKTO
- 10. "Burnin' It Down", Jason Aldean

## Pop | Female Artists | 1958-1960

- 1. "Sugartime", The McGuire Sisters
- 2. "Lollipop", The Chordettes
- 3. "Born Too Late", Poni Tails
- 4. "Pink Shoelaces", Dodie Stevens
- 5. "Tall Paul", Annette Funicello
- 6. "Don't You Know", Della Reese
- 7. "Sixteen Reasons (Why I Love You)", Connie Stevens
- 8. "Everybody's Somebody's Fool", Connie Francis
- 9. "My Heart Has a Mind of Its Own", Connie Francis
- 10. "Maybe", The Chantels

### Pop | Male Artists | 1958-1960

- 1. "Return to Me", Dean Martin
- 2. "Secretly", Jimmie Rodgers
- 3. "Do I Like It", Nat King Cole
- 4. "Venus", Frankie Avalon
- 5. "Lonely Boy", Paul Anka
- 6. "Put Your Head On My Shoulder", Paul Anka
- 7. "Cathy's Clown", The Everly Brothers
- 8. It's Just A Matter Of Time, Brook Benton
- 9. "Why", Frankie Avalon
- 10. "When", Kalin Brothers

## Pop | Female Artists | 1985-1987

- 1. "Like A Virgin", Madonna
- 2. "Crazy For You", Madonna
- 3. "Freeway of Love", Aretha Franklin
- 4. "I Miss You", Klymaxx
- 5. "How Will I Know", Whitney Houston
- 6. "Take My Breath Away", Berlin
- 7. "Looking for a New Love", Jody Watley
- 8. "I Think We're Alone Now", Tiffany
- 9. "Only In My Dreams", Debbie Gibson
- 10. "Strut", Sheena Easton

#### **Pop | Male Artists | 1985-1987**

- 1. "Careless Whisper", Wham!
- 2. "Wake Me Up Before You Go-Go", Wham!
- 3. "Take On Me", A-ha
- 4. "Kiss", Prince and The Revolution
- 5. "Sara", Starship
- 6. "Something About You", Level 42
- 7. "If You Leave", Orchestral Manoeuvres in the Dark
- 8. "I Want Your Sex", George Michael
- 9. "U Got The Look", Prince
- 10. "Don't You (Forget About Me)", Simple Minds

## Pop | Female Artists | 2012-2014

- 1. "Call Me Maybe", Carly Rae Jepsen
- 2. "Lights", Ellie Goulding
- 3. "Set Fire To The Rain", Adele
- 4. "Wide Awake", Katy Perry
- 5. "Wrecking Ball", Miley Cyrus
- 6. "Diamonds", Rihanna
- 7. "Come And Get It", Selena Gomez
- 8. "All About That Bass", Meghan Trainor
- 9. "Bang Bang", Jessie J ft. Ariana Grande and Iggy Azalea
- 10. "Habits (Stay High)", Tove Lo

### Pop | Male Artists | 2012-2014

- 1. "Glad You Came", The Wanted
- 2. "What Makes You Beautiful", One Direction
- 3. "One More Night", Maroon 5
- 4. "When I Was Your Man", Bruno Mars
- 5. "Safe and Sound", Capital Cities
- 6. "Scream", Usher
- 7. "Am I Wrong", Nico and Vinz
- 8. "Latch", Disclosure ft. Sam Smith
- 9. "Not A Bad Thing", Justin Timberlake
- 10. "Hold On, We're Going Home", Drake

## Rock | Female Artists | 1958-1960

- 1. "Who's Sorry Now", Connie Francis
- 2. "Stupid Cupid", Connie Francis
- 3. "Light of Love", Peggy Lee
- 4. "Lipstick on Your Collar", Connie Francis
- 5. "Frankie", Connie Francis
- 6. "I Want To Be Wanted", Brenda Lee
- 7. "I'm Sorry", Brenda Lee
- 8. "My Happiness", Connie Francis
- 9. "Sweetheart", Peggy Lee

#### Rock | Male Artists | 1958-1960

- 1. "All I Have To Do Is Dream", The Everly Brothers
- 2. "I Beg Of You", Elvis Presley
- 3. "Stood Up", Ricky Nelson
- 4. "Dream Lover", Bobby Darin
- 5. "Wear My Ring Around Your Neck", Elvis Presley
- 6. "Donna", Ritchie Valens
- 7. "Handyman", Jimmy Jones
- 8. "Stuck On You", Elvis Presley
- 9. "Wild One", Bobby Rydell
- 10. "What In The World's Come Over You", Jack Scott

## Rock | Female Artists | 1985-1987

- 1. "We Belong", Pat Benatar
- 2. "All Through The Night", Cyndi Lauper

- 3. "Walking On Sunshine", Katrina & The Waves
- 4. "Never", Heart
- 5. "Venus", Bananarama
- 6. "Talk To Me", Stevie Nicks
- 7. "Typical Male", Tina Turner
- 8. "Alone", Heart
- 9. "Change Of Heart", Cyndi Lauper
- 10. "Who Will You Run To", Heart

### Rock | Male Artists | 1985-1987

- 1. "I Want To Know What Love Is", Foreigner
- 2. "Out of Touch", Hall & Oates
- 3. "Everytime You Go Away", Paul Young
- 4. "Broken Wings", Mr. Mister
- 5. "Glory of Love", Peter Cetera
- 6. "Alive and Kicking", Simple Minds
- 7. "Nothing's Gonna Stop Us Now", Starship
- 8. "Livin' On A Prayer", Bon Jovi
- 9. "Everybody Have Fun Tonight", Wang Chung
- 10. "Easy Lover", Philip Bailey and Phil Collins

#### Rock | Female Artists | 2012-2014

- 1. "Stronger (What Doesn't Kill You)", Kelly Clarkson
- 2. "Blow Me (One Last Kiss)", P!nk
- 3. "Give Your Heart a Break", Demi Lovato

- 4. "I Knew You Were Trouble", Taylor Swift
- 5. "Try", P!nk
- 6. "Still Into You", Paramore
- 7. "Ain't It Fun", Paramore
- 8. "Can't Remember To Forget You", Shakira ft. Rihanna
- 9. "We Might Be Dead By Tomorrow", Soko
- 10. "Young and Beautiful", Lana Del Rey

# Rock | Male Artists | 2012-2014

- 1. "Payphone", Maroon 5 ft. Whiz Khalifa
- 2. "Drive By", Train
- 3. "Everybody Talks", Neon Trees
- 4. "Locked Out Of Heaven", Bruno Mars
- 5. "Daylight", Maroon 5
- 6. "Home", Phillip Phillips
- 7. "Let Her Go", Passenger
- 8. "Maps", Maroon 5
- 9. "Animals", Maroon 5
- 10. "Love Runs Out", OneRepublic

# Appendix B

Song Lyrics (as drawn from Google Lyrics)

### Country | Female Artists | 1958-1960

 "He's Lost His Love For Me", Kitty Wells I'm walking through the back streets Of an old lonesome town I've come to see the places that My darling hangs around What is it that lures him These things I had to see My heart must know the reason He's lost his love for me In and out the honkytonks I covered one by one I saw the things he talked about Saw his kind of fun And if he wants this way of life I'm glad he set me free

2. "I Can't Stop Loving You", Kitty Wells I can't stop loving you So I've made up my mind To live in memory of old lonesome times I can't stop wanting you It's useless to say So I'll just live my life in dreams of yesterday Those happy hours that we once knew Though long ago they still make me blue They say that time heels a broken heart But time has stood still since we've been apart I can't stop loving you So I've made up my mind To live in memory of old lonesome times I can't stop wanting you It's useless to say So I'll just live my life in dreams of yesterday

3. "I Want To Go Where No One Knows Me", Jean Shepard I want to go where no one knows me Where I can start my life anew I want to go where no one knows me No one will ask me about you. A cherished friend, a worshiped sweetheart The oldest story ever told I trusted you and you deceived me I have more grief than I can hold. I want to go where no one knows me My soul is sick my heart is sore I want to go where all are strangers I don't believe in friends no more. I want to go where no one knows me Where I can start my life anew I want to go where no one knows me No one will ask me about you.

4. "He'll Have To Stay", Jeanne Black I am glad you've finally called me on the phone I've been waiting here tonight but not alone You broke the date that we had made just yesterday Now there's someone else who's here, he'll have to stay I have found another love I know is true And he holds me much more tenderly than you Loving you is not worth the price I have to pay Someone else is in your place, he'll have to stay Once I loved you with all my heart But now I must say no You broke my heart too many times So now you'll have to go I can hear the jukebox playing soft and low And you're out again with someone else, I know My love was blind, I'm not your kind that's all I'll say So you can hang up, I'm in his arms, he'll have to stay Now someone else is in your place, he'll have to stay

 "Are You Willing, Willie", Marion Worth Are you willing Willie to love just me Willing to care, willing to share Are you willing Willie to spend with me Your life thru all eternity Willing Willy say that you are Tell me oh tell me today If your willing Willie then I am too Love me oh Willie I pray Oh I need you Willie I love just you True love is real, oh ya its so real Say you want me Willie And need me too Willie oh Willie please do Willing Willy say that you are Tell me oh tell me today If your willing Willie then I am too Love me oh Willie I pray Love me oh Willie I pray

6. "The Wedding", June Valli Here I stand His ring Is on my hand But he's second best In my heart He loves me so Dear Lord Don't let him know I'm only playing A part Here I stand My ring is on her hand But I know she's playing A part I need her so I'm right for her I know But I'm second best In her heart (How handsome the groom) There they stand (How lovely the bride) His ring is on her hand (How faithful the friend as he stands by their side) But once once I was first in her heart (How happy a wedding?) I made her see a friend I'd always be (This?) I've loved someone else from the start Dear Lord above Inspire me with a love So strong That the past (Dear Lord above) Will depart (Let me stand by her side) Don't let me rest Until the second best Is truly the first In my heart The first And last In my heart

7. "Fibbin", Pattie Page Honey you've been fibbin' Tellin' me such lies Know that you've been givin' Ev'ry guy the eye Honey you've been foolin' From the very start Think of what you're doin' To my achin' heart Don'tcha know I'm sighin'? Don'tcha know I'm crying'? Don'tcha know I'm tryin'? To believe yuh? Oo, Oo, Oo, Honey I'm just livin' For a love that's true When you stop you fibbin' I'll come back to you Honey you've been fibbin' Tellin' me such lies...

8. "But You Use To", Laverne Downs Now listen here, my honey child,

It's time we talked a little while. It's about the things we used to do. You used to hold me in your arms. You would know your many charms. You don't now, but you used to. (Don't have time), but you used to (Since you're mine), but you used to I guess we'll have to make a deal, And let each other know how we feel And love again like we used to. We went out steppin' on a Saturday nights. We took the town, saw the sights. We don't now, but we used to. I guess, my love, I've had my say. I think it's time you changed your ways To forget like we used to. (Don't have time), but you used to (Since you're mine), but you used to I guess we'll have to make a deal, And let each other know how we feel And love again like we used to. I'll take you steppin', my lovin' pet. We'll have a time you won't forget. We'll have fun like we used to. We'll love each other like bride and groom And have a second honeymoon And love again, like we used to. (I'll take time), like you used to (I'm glad you're mine). Goes for me, too. A kiss will then complete the deal. It's nice to know just how we feel. We'll love always like we used to. We'll love always like we used to.

9. "Poor Old Heartsick Me", Margie BowesOne, Two, Three, FourPoor old heartsick meLost and lonely as a good heart beWhat would my future beFor poor old heartsick me

How 'bout I was new to that big yellow moon There was magic that all lovers know In the moonlight it's hard to keep a heart on guard I guess love is better to grow Well, held close in your arms all my defenses are gone It don't act like this in the city When you can't be aside sit down and try For poor old heartsick me Poor old heartsick me Lost and lonely as a good heart be What would my future be For poor old heartsick me In my heart I believe, God made Adam for Eve Just the same He made you for me But if Adam like you, was all we're aiming' to What good a world would this be You don't want to admit That you couldn't have been bit By that love bug, Oh golly gee Why don't you realize, you just mean paradise For poor old heartsick me Poor hold heartsick me Lost and lonely as a good heart be What would my future be For poor old heartsick me For poor old heartsick me

10. "Old Moon", Betty Foley
He just came up to see if he was with me,
To ask if I was standin' here alone.
He's with someone else, an' we both know it.
Don't need no moonlight when I'm all alone.
Tell all the stars, you just start shinin'.
Tell 'em one and all that they're too late,
'Cause you and I both know I have no love.
He just went walkin'— there's no need to wait.
Old moon, old moon, I don't think you tempt me.
I guess you'll just leave well enough alone.
He's actin' just like we are total strangers.
Don't need you now, so just go on back down.

Tell the wind, "Don't blow!" And you, Old Moon, "Stop smilin'!" Don't need you now, So just go on back down. Old moon, old moon, I don't think you tempt me. I guess we'll just leave well enough alone. He's actin' just like we are total strangers. Don't need you now, so just go on back down.

# Country | Male Artists | 1958-1960

11. "Under Your Spell Again", Buck Morgan You've got me under your spell again Sayin' those things again Makin' me believe that you're just mine You've got dreamin' those dreams again Makin' those things again I've gotta take you back just one more time I swore the last time that you let me down That I wouldn't see you if you came around But I can't tell my heart what's right or wrong And I've been so lonely since you've been gone You've got me under your spell again Sayin' those things again Makin' me believe that you're just mine You've got dreamin' those dreams again Makin' those things again I've gotta take you back just one more time Well, everybody tells me that I'm a fool That I never should have put my faith in you And way down deep inside I guess I know it's true But no one else can make me feel the way you do You've got me under your spell again Sayin' those things again Makin' me believe that you're just mine You've got dreamin' those dreams again Makin' those things again I've gotta take you back just one more time

12. "Sal's Got A Sugarlip", Johnny Horton Come here Sally and sweeten your man Sal's got a sugarlip (so they say) Sal's got a sugarlip (so they say) 'Lasses in the cane and sirop in the corn Sugar in the gorge and honey in the horn Apple in the tree and a peach in my hand Come here Sally and sweeten me again Sal's got a sugarlip (so they say) Sal's got a sugarlip (so they say) Cake on the plate and pie in the pan Come here Sally and sweeten your man How I love that pretty little gal Nothing on earth as sweet as my Sal Honey on her lips and honey on her toes Honey all over her pretty little nose Sal's got a sugarlip (so they say) Sal's got a sugarlip (so they say) Cake on the plate and pie in the pan Come here Sally and sweeten your man

#### 13. "Country Girl", Faron Young

I met you, my country girl, you didn't have a thing I dressed you up, I fell in love, then I bought the ring I was teachin' you to love, you were learnin' fine Then one day you learned too much and it poisoned your sweet mind Now you've gone and left me, you're with somebody new But I wonder if you told him, I bought the clothes on you When you two are dancin' and you whisper soft and sweet I wonder if you'll tell him, I bought the shoes on your feet Now I've lost my country girl to a city love affair He built you up, you fell for him, you didn't treat me fair You think that he's a dream come true, he says he loves you so But wait until the word gets out, I taught you all that you know Now you've gone and left me, you're with somebody new But I wonder if you told him, I bought the clothes on you When you two are dancin' and you whisper soft and sweet I wonder if you'll tell him, I bought the shoes on your feet

14. "Who Cares", Don Gibson I walk down this old lonely street And no one seems to want to speak Oh who cares? Yes who cares for me? Oh the world seems cold everything is gray Nothing seems the same since you went away Oh who cares? Yes who cares for me? Yes surely happiness can be found surely there's someone for me Must I go through life with this hopeless love oh why can't I be set free? All I want is you all I know is you But some how our love just can't be Oh who cares? Yes who cares for me? Yes surely happiness can be found surely there's someone for me Must I go through life with this hopeless love oh why can't I be set free? All I want is you all I know is you But somehow our love just can't be Oh who cares? Yes who cares for me?

15. "I Ain't Never", Webb Pierce Well I ain't never, I ain't never Seen nobody like you, no, no, no Never have I ever seen nobody like you You call me up and say to meet me at nine I have to hurry, hurry, but I'm there on time I walk right up and knock on your door The landlord says she ain't a here, no more I ain't never oh, darling seen nobody like you Hoo, hoo, but I love you, yeah, I love you I love you just the same Well, you tell me sweet things that you don't mean You've got me a living in a haunted dream You make me do things, I don't wanna do My friends say, oh Webb, what's wrong with you I ain't never oh, darling seen nobody like you Hoo, hoo, but I love you, yeah, I love you

I love you just the same I love you just the same I love you just the same

16. "Somebody Lied", Ricky Van Shelton Hello, yeah this is me Lord it's been a long, long time I know this ain't no social call So go ahead get it off your mind You heard what well it ain't true I was here most all last night I got over you the day you left Could it be somebody lied They said what that I was crying I haven't shed a tear in years That I spoke your name well that's insane I hardly noticed you're not here That I showed your picture to some stranger Don't you think I've got no pride They've been here at home face down on the shelf Lord, I bet somebody lied But if they were true what would it matter to you? Would it change the way you feel? If the rumors were right, would you be here tonight? To help this old heart heal Well don't worry it wasn't me Just someone whose world was torn in two Someone who looks a lot like me And loves someone like you So forget the tears, I never cried Lord, I'll bet somebody lied

17. "He'll Have To Go", Jim ReevesPut your sweet lips a little closer to the phoneLet's pretend that we're together, all aloneI'll tell the man to turn the jukebox way down lowAnd you can tell your friend there with you he'll have to goWhisper to me, tell me do you love me true

Or is he holding you the way I do? Tho' love is blind, make up your mind, I've got to know Should I hang up, or will you tell him he'll have to go? You can't say the words I want to hear While you're with another man Do you want me, answer yes or no Darling, I will understand Put your sweet lips a little closer to the phone Let's pretend that we're together, all alone I'll tell the man to turn the jukebox way down low And you can tell your friend there with you he'll have to go

18. "El Paso", Marty Robbins Out in the West Texas town of El Paso I fell in love with a Mexican girl Night-time would find me in Rosa's cantina Music would play and Felina would whirl Blacker than night were the eyes of Felina Wicked and evil while casting a spell My love was deep for this Mexican maiden I was in love but in vain, I could tell One night a wild young cowboy came in Wild as the West Texas wind Dashing and daring A drink he was sharing With wicked Felina The girl that I loved So in anger I Challenged his right for the love of this maiden Down went his hand for the gun that he wore My challenge was answered in less than a heart-beat The handsome young stranger lay dead on the floor Just for a moment I stood there in silence Shocked by the foul evil deed I had done Many thoughts raced through my mind as I stood there I had but one chance and that was to run Out through the back door of Rosa's I ran

Out where the horses were tied I caught a good one It looked like it could run Up on its back And away I did ride Just as fast as I Could from the West Texas town of El Paso Out to the bad-lands of New Mexico Back in El Paso my life would be worthless Everything's gone in life nothing is left It's been so long since I've seen the young maiden My love is stronger than my fear of death I saddled up and away I did go Riding alone in the dark Maybe tomorrow A bullet may find me Tonight nothing's worse than this Pain in my heart And at last here I Am on the hill overlooking El Paso I can see Rosa's cantina below My love is strong and it pushes me onward Down off the hill to Felina I go Off to my right I see five mounted cowboys Off to my left ride a dozen or more Shouting and shooting I can't let them catch me I have to make it to Rosa's back door Something is dreadfully wrong for I feel A deep burning pain in my side Though I am trying To stay in the saddle I'm getting weary Unable to ride But my love for Felina is strong and I rise where I've fallen Though I am weary I can't stop to rest I see the white puff of smoke from the rifle I feel the bullet go deep in my chest From out of nowhere Felina has found me

Kissing my cheek as she kneels by my side Cradled by two loving arms that I'll die for One little kiss and Felina, good-bye

19. "Please Help Me", I'm Falling, Hank Locklin
Please help me I'm falling in love with you
Close the door to temptation, don't let me walk through
Turn away from me darling I'm begging you to
Please help me I'm falling in love with you
I belong to another who's arms have grown cold
But I promise forever to have and to hold
I can never be free dear but when I'm with you
I know that I'm losing the will to be true
Please help me I'm falling and that would be sin
Close the door to temptation, don't let me walk in
For I mustn't want you but darling I do
Please help me I'm falling in love with you

20. "Heartaches By The Number", Guy Mitchell Heartaches by the number Troubles by the score Everyday you love me less Each day I love you more Yes, I've got heartaches by the number A love that I can't win But the day that I stop counting That's the day my world will end Heartache number one was when you left me I never knew that I could hurt this way And heartache number two Was when you \*come\* back again You came back but never meant to stay Yes, I've got Heartaches by the number Troubles by the score Everyday you love me less Each day I love you more Yes, I've got heartaches by

the number A love that I can't win But the day that I stop counting That's the day my world will end Heartache number three was when you called me And said that you were comin' back to stay With hopeful heart I waited for your knock on the door I waited but you must have lost your way Yes, I've got Heartaches by the number Troubles by the score Everyday you love me less Each day I love you more Yes, I've got heartaches by the number A love that I can't win But the day that I stop counting That's the day my world will end

## Country | Female Artists | 1985-1987

11. "Radio Heart", Charly McClain Married at 16, 2 kids by 21 But he couldn't take it Now she's raisin' them on her own Between the bills and the laundry Sometimes she's so lonely she cries But she's found an escape From some of the achin' inside She's got a radio heart She loves the songs they play They take him off her mind She's got a radio heart It helps fill an empty space he left behind She gets lost in a steel guitar Oh, it's her way out when the heartache starts She's found a little salvation in a local station

She's got a radio heart

She'll finish clearin' the table And put the kids off to bed She tries to watch an old movie But she thinks of him instead She lies alone in the dark And stares at the lighted dial She gets into the music And out of this world for a while She's got a radio heart She loves the songs they play They take him off her mind She's got a radio heart It helps fill an empty space he left behind She gets lost in a steel guitar Oh, it's her way out when the heartache starts She's found a little salvation in a local station She's got a radio heart She's got a radio heart

12. "She's Single Again", Janie Fricke I just got to tell you what I saw last night I wish I was guessing but I know that I'm right She walked in this place with a smile on her face And I wondered, why she was alone Every man watched her as she swayed on by The way she was looking every woman could cry And then I saw her sit down with a lawyer And I knew what was going on She's single again, hold on to your man She'll make us worried wives and bring us broken lives And heartaches that never end She's single again, she's no woman's friend Oh she's making her move, she's got nothing to lose Oh look out, she's single again Is this number 4? Is this number 5? Tell me how many husbands has she buried alive

She uses the favors that the good Lord gave her With the devil's desire I know she's thinking, she's on top of the world And I've seen her working and I'm warning you girls She's single again, she's got a way with men But she better get away from mine She's single again, hold on to your man She'll make us worried wives and bring us broken lives And heartaches that never end She's single again, she's no woman's friend Oh she's making her move, she's got nothing to lose Oh look out, she's single again She's making her move, she's got nothing to lose Oh look out she's single again

13. "Fallin' In Love", Sylvia Somebody's reachin', somebody's touchin' Two people somewhere are fallin' in love One simple glance can start a romance Next thing you know they're fallin' in love Next thing you know they're fallin' in love Fallin' in love Fallin' in love Fallin' in love Somebody whispers, somebody shivers She's sayin' somethin' he wants to hear She moves closer, he wants to hold her Next thing you know they're fallin' in love Next thing you know they're fallin' in love Fallin' in love Fallin' in love Fallin' in love Somebody's watchin' two lovers talkin' Wonderin' just how good it must feel He's still waitin', anticipatin' Hopin' someday He'll be fallin' in love Next thing you know they're fallin' in love Fallin' in love

Fallin' in love

Fallin' in love Hard as you may try It's somethin' you can't hide It's somethin' anyone can see It starts as just a feelin' Sends your heart a reelin' There's only one thing it can be Your fallin' in love Fallin' in love Somebody whispers, somebody shivers He's sayin' somethin' she wants to hear Somebody's watchin' two lovers talkin' Wonderin' just how good it must feel

14. "Never Be You", Roseanne Cash Take a look at my eyes It's been a long, long time I used to feel so strong When I knew you were mine But since you let me down I'm hard to be around I don't know what I'm gonna do He could never be you He could never be you I guess it all comes around Baby, please don't cry Love is gonna be a little reckless Oh, lovers all have to stand trial Since you let me go There's nothing going on I don't know what I'm gonna do He could never be you He could never be you Uh-uh, uh-uh, huh He could never be you He knows the rules And he plays the part But he only has me He don't have my heart He could never be you

So take a look at my eyes No, you can't hide the truth No, you don't get by on pride It'll run over you Since you let me down I'm hard to be around I don't know what I'm gonna do He could never be you He could never be you Uh-uh, uh-uh, huh He could never be you Uh-uh, uh-uh, huh Uh-uh, uh-uh, huh He could never be you Uh-uh, uh-uh, huh Uh-uh, uh-uh, huh Uh-uh, uh-uh, huh He could never be you

15. "Have Mercy", The Judds I was standing in line at the city bus stop Soaked to the skin from ev'ry rain drop I see you driving by just like a phantom jet With your arm around some little brunette You say you won't be home because you're working late Honey, I'm no fool, you've been out on a date The lipstick on your collar gives the game away It's strawberry red and mine's pink rose Have mercy on me You treat me so bad I'm in misery It's breaking my heart, can't you see Baby, baby have mercy on me Well I called you up on the telephone I could hear you was playin' Haggard and Jones I knew right then that there was something wrong There's only one reason you play cheatin' songs Have mercy on me You treat me so bad I'm in misery It's breaking my heart, can't you see Baby, baby have mercy on me

Well I called you up on the telephone I could hear you was playin' Haggard and Jones I knew right then that there was something wrong There's only one reason you play cheatin' songs Went to the bank with my little check book The cashier he gave me the strangest look He said you ain't got no money 'cause you're overdrawn Your man took it all and he's done gone Have mercy on me You treat me so bad I'm in misery It's breaking my heart, can't you see Baby, baby have mercy on me Well I called you up on the telephone I could hear you was playin' Haggard and Jones I knew right then that there was something wrong There's only one reason you play cheatin' songs 16. "Whoever's In New England", Reba McEntire You spend an awful lot of time in Massachusetts Seems Like every other week you've got a meeting waiting there Business must be booming or could something else Be moving in the air up there You say that its important for our future An executive on his way up has got to play the part Each time duty calls you got to give it all You've got with all your heart When whoever's in New England is through with you And Boston finds better things to do You know its not too late 'cause you'll always have a place to go When whoever's in New Englands through with you

I hear the winter time up north can last forever

I've been told its beautiful to see this time of year

They say the snow can blind you till the world you left behind Just disappears I hear

I packed your bags and left them in the hallway

But before you leave again there's just one thing you outta know

When the icy winds blow through you remember that its me

Who feels the cold most of all

When whoever's in New England is through with you

And Boston finds better things to do You know its not too late 'cause you'll always have a place to go When whoever's in New Englands through with you

17. "What Am I Gonna Do About You", Reba McEntire The kid down the street mowes the grass every week The neighbor next door fixed the roof where it leaked Job's going fine and the bills are all paid And everyone thinks that I'm doing OK There's a guv down at work He's asked me out once or twice I haven't said ves But I'm thinking I might And on my way home I thought I saw you walk by If only I could get you out of my mind What in the world am I gonna do about you Oh your memory keeps coming back From out of the blue Oh well I try And I try But I still can't believe that we're through So tell me what in the world am I gonna do about you What am I gonna do about you I went to the store But it wasn't much fun It doesn't take long when you're shopping for one Standing in line I thought I saw you walk in And that's when it started all over again What in the world am I gonna do about you Oh your memory keeps coming back From out of the blue Oh well I try And I try But I still can't believe that we're through So tell me what in the world am I gonna do about you What am I gonna do about you Darling what am I gonna do about you

18. "Cry Myself To Sleep, The Judds I've tried so hard You know I can't do more It's the turn of the card It's the close of the door The lies you told You know they hurt so deep So I'll go home And cry myself to sleep And day after day You've been treating me bad Friends come up and say, "Why do you take all that?" 'Cause it's making me moan And it's making me weep So I'll go home And cry myself to sleep You play at love Like a child plays games One day I'm in Then I'm out again You change the rules And I just can't win You've broken me now So I give in, yeah, yeah I've been through worse But I don't know what Oh, I gave to you Everything that I got So take this heart Or what's left to keep And I'll go home And cry myself to sleep So I'll go home and cry myself to sleep Cry myself to sleep

19. "You Again", The Forester SistersLooking in my lifeThrough the eyes of a young girl growing older all the time,Maybe just a little wiserI can clearly see

All my mistakes keep coming back to visit me Pointing out the roads not taken So much I'd like to change but one thing I'd do the same I'd choose you again, I'd choose you again If God gave me the chance to do it all again Oh, I'd carefully consider every choice and then Out of all the boys in the world I'd choose you again Times weren't always good Seems like the Lord gave all the easy parts away But every time the road got rocky You'd look at me and say Had all you needed long as I was there with you You're the reason I kept going If I could start my life anew The first thing that I would do I'd choose vou again, I'd choose vou again If God gave me the chance to do it all again Oh, I'd carefully consider every choice and then Out of all the boys in the world I'd choose you again I'd choose you again, I'd choose you again If God gave me the chance to do it all again Oh, I'd carefully consider every choice and then I'd listen to my heart and I'd choose you again You again, you again

20. "I Don't Know Why You Don't Want Me", Roseanne Cash It's the right time, you know I feel fine tonight (I don't know why you don't want me)
It's the right place, I've got my new face tonight (I don't know why you don't want me)
I'm in the right mood, I've got my new shoes tonight (I don't know why you don't want me)
I've got my new dress, I couldn't hurt less tonight (I don't know why you don't want me)
Somebody told you I was so cold and mean (who was that talking)
Somebody wants you and don't want me in between (she better start walking)

Somebody hurt you but, baby, she wasn't me We'll find a new name for such an old game tonight (I don't know why you don't want me) I'll show you how long that I can go on tonight (I don't know why you don't want me) I don't know why you don't want me Just when I think that I can make it without you You come 'round and say you want me now You tell me don't leave and I want to believe you Why can't you see just how much I need you Somebody told you I was so cold and mean (who was that talking) Somebody wants you and don't want me in between (she better start walking) Somebody hurt you but, baby, she wasn't me Oh, it's the last chance for a romance tonight (I don't know why you don't want me) There'll be no next time if you won't be mine tonight (I don't know why you don't want me) I don't know why you don't want me (I don't know why you don't want me) I don't know why you don't want me (I don't know why you don't want me) I don't know why you don't want me (I don't know why you don't want me)

## Country | Male Artists | 1985-1987

11. "Lost In The Fifties Tonight", Ronnie Milsap Close your eyes, baby
Follow my heart
Call on the memories
Here in the dark
We'll let the magic
Take us away
Back to the feelings
We shared when they played
In the still of the night
Hold me darlin', hold me tight, oh
So real, so right

Lost in the fifties tonight These precious hours We know can't survive But love's all that matters While the past is alive Now and for always Till time disappears We'll hold each other Whenever we hear In the still of the night Hold me darlin', hold me tight, say So real, so right Lost in the fifties tonight Oh, so right, say Oh, so real, so right So real, so right

12. "Dixie Road", Lee Greenwood

I would pick and we would sing to the rhythm of that front porch swing The moonlight holds the spotlight that we shared I found new notes on that old guitar, she believed I could be a star She told me that she wanted to be fair She said, I love you more than to hold you down, boy you're glory bound We can't share a world with different dreams So I chased mine and she found hers too, but someone else made hers come true Now I'm a star, but every time I sing My heart goes drifting down a dusty dixie road Taking my mind, back in time L.A. lights burn like hell once you know You left heaven waitin' down the dixie road. Every night I'm in a different place and I'm searching every stranger's face Trying to find the girl that's just not there She's back there in Montgomery and I'm clear across the country But whenever I'm alone I go back there. My heart goes drifting down a dusty dixie road Taking my mind, back in time L.A. lights burn like hell once you know You left heaven waitin' down the dixie road.

My heart goes drifting down a dusty dixie road Taking my mind, back in time L.A. lights burn like hell once you know You left heaven waitin' down the dixie road.

13. "Modern Day Romance", Nitty Gritty Dirt Band We met on the highway, she flagged me down, Had a flat on her stingray with nobody around I helped her out, she said climb in So I ditched my ol' truck just to see where the party would end. We spent the weekend in Reno in the honeymoon suite, Never saw the casino, barely took time to eat. I never dreamed she would take me this far But by Sunday that lady had taken a hold of my heart. It's a modern day romance, a new kind of game With no time to slow dance in the fast lane. I tried to love her without any strings But a modern day romance has left me some old-fashioned pain. She never said good-bye, just a note by the phone Said "thanks for the good times, but it's time to move on." Well I'm out here walkin' with my thumb in the air Wondering where she might've gone and why I even care. It's a modern day romance; old fashioned pain

14. "Too Much On My Heart", The Statler Brothers You're having second thoughts
I can tell by the way you look at me
I can tell by what I see
That you no longer believe in me
I'm havin' bad dreams can't seem to get back
To where we used to be
Sometimes it feels like we're worlds apart
And I've got too much on my heart
I've got too much on my heart
And I don't like to feel the pain
And I don't know where
to start To make you love me once again
I don't have time to make you understand
Lord this thing is gettin' out of hand

Pain shoots through me like a dart And I've got too much on my heart Don't be so cold to me I know you've changed but it's still hard for me It's too late I realize I can see it in your distant eyes You needed all of me But I can't be there like I used to be And Lord, it's tearin' me apart 'Cause I got too much on my heart I've got too much on my heart And I don't like to feel the pain And I don't know where to start To make you love me once again I don't have time to make you understand Lord this thing is gettin' out of hand Pain shoots through me like a dart And I've got too much on my heart 15. "I Don't Mind The Thorns (If You're The Rose)", Lee Greenwood Come, let me hold you for a while All you have to do is smile and I'm yours again I may not like some things you do But they're all a part of you and you're my best friend I don't mind the cold when I have a fire to warm me I don't mind the rain 'cause it makes the flowers grow I can take the bad times when you wrap your love around me I don't mind the thorns when you're the rose Stay, we can work the whole thing out That's what love's about and I understand You didn't mean the things you said They're so easy to forget When you take my hand I don't mind the cold when I have a fire to warm me I don't mind the rain 'cause it makes the flowers grow I can take the bad times when you wrap your love around me

I don't mind the thorns when you're the rose

If it was anybody else, I would be gone

But you're so beautiful to me, oh that I keep on holding on I don't mind the cold when I have a fire to warm me I don't mind the rain 'cause it makes the flowers grow I can take the bad times when you wrap your love around me I don't mind the thorns when you're the rose I don't mind the thorns when you're the rose

16. "I'll Never Stop Loving You", Gary Morris I just might take to leavin' in the middle of a night And I might not be here in the morning light But I'll never stop loving you, loving you I might move into Memphis on a fast moving train Thumbin' down some trucker heading west in the fast lane But I'll never stop loving you, loving you Just as sure as that Mississippi flows to the sea I'll run just as wild, love just as deep I'll never stop loving you, loving you Loving you, loving you I might call from Atlanta for bus fare home Call you from Dallas to tell you what flight I'm on But I'll never stop loving you, loving you Just as sure as the suns sets on that beach in Malibu I might go round the world but I'll come back to you I'll never stop loving you, loving you Loving you, loving you I told you when I met you I would never let you put chains on me And you never tried in my life You know that means everything Just as sure as Manhattan is sittin' on a bed of stone You know that I won't leave you in your bed alone too long I'll never stop loving you, loving you Loving you, loving you I'll never stop loving you, loving you Loving you, loving you, loving you

17. "Give Me Wings", Michael Johnson He asked her, "What gifts can I bring you

To prove that my love for you is true? I want to make you mine forever There's nothing on this earth I would not do" She said, "Anything I've wanted You have given willingly So now there's only one more thing I need" If you love me, give me wings And don't be afraid if I fly A bird in a cage will forget how to sing If you love me, give me wings He walked over to the window He silently stared into space Then he said, "Well, I just want to protect you 'Cause this world is a dangerous place" She put her arms around him She said, "I know you mean well But there are lessons I must learn for myself" So if you love me, give me wings And don't be afraid if I fly A bird in a cage will forget how to sing And you can trust me, so give me wings She said, "Up above the clouds You can see forever And I know you and I can learn to fly together" If you love me, give me wings Don't be afraid if I fly A bird in a cage will forget how to sing And you can trust me, so give me wings If you really love me Give me wings

18. "Half Past Forever (Till I'm Blue In The Heart)", T.G. SheppardI'm not ashamed to say I love youEven if you don't love meI'm not too poundTo keep from holdin'

Even if you set me free 'Cause I got love Enough for both of us I'll do anything it takes And maybe if I hold out long enough You might make it worth my wait 'Til half past forever Together or apart I'll hold my love for you 'Til I'm blue in the heart Even if you love another That don't mean That we're all through Girl, I'd be your stand by lover You can have your cake And eat it, too If there's a chance That we could make it One in a million I don't care I'd be the first in line to take you This heart ain't going anywhere 'Til half past forever Together or apart I'll hold my love for you 'Til I'm blue in the heart 'Til half past forever Whether we're together or apart I'll hold my love for you 'Til I'm blue in the heart I'll hold my love for you 'Til I'm blue in the heart

19. "Fishin' In The Dark", Nitty Gritty Dirt BandLazy yellow moon comin' up tonight,shinin' thru the trees,Crickets are singin' and lightning bugsare floatin' on the breezeBaby get ready.....Across the field where the creek turns back by the ole stone road

I'm gonna take you to a special place that nobody knows

Baby get ready.....

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You and me going fishing in the dark,

Lying on our backs and counting the stars

Where the cool grass grows.

Down by the river in the full moon light,

We'll be fallin' in love in the middle of the night

Just movin' slow ...

Stayin' the whole night thru, feels so good to be with you...

Spring is almost over and the summer's comin' the days are gettin' long

Waited all winter for the time to be right, just to take you along Baby get ready.....

And it don't matter if we sit forever and the fish don't bite

Jump in the river and cool ourselves from the heat of the night

Baby get ready.....

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You and me going fishing in the dark,

Lying on our backs and counting the stars

Where the cool grass grows.

Down by the river in the full moon light,

We'll be fallin' in love in the middle of the night Just movin' slow...

You and me going fishing in the dark,

Lying on our backs and counting the stars

Where the cool grass grows.

Down by the river in the full moon light,

We'll be fallin' in love in the middle of the night

Just movin' slow...

You and me going fishing in the dark,

Lying on our backs and counting the stars

Where the cool grass grows.

Down by the river in the full moon light,

We'll be fallin' in love in the middle of the night

Just movin' slow ...

You and me going fishin in the dark!

20. "Morning Desire", Kenny Rogers

Here it's seven in the am,

It's gonna take more then wakin' to rise me

I wake up with this need again But feel the love of the woman beside me It's just one of those days When I wanna lay here with her And love her before I leave And listen to the rain fall up on the roof And the thunder sounds like horses hooves Oh I listen to her breathe And it makes me wanna wake her up And tell her that I'm on fire With morning desire It looks like I'm gonna be late again And I need to get up and get movin' And I'm tryin' But the longer I keep stalling The more I think about callin' in and lying here It's just one of those days When I wanna stay here with her And watch her while she sleeps And listen to the rain fall up on the roof And the thunder sounds like horses hooves Oh I listen to her breathe And it makes me wanna wake her up And tell her that I'm on fire With morning desire Well I love to hear the rain fallin' on the roof And the thunder sounds like horses hooves Oh I listen to her breathe And it makes me wanna wake her up And tell her that I'm on fire With morning desire With morning desire

# Country | Female Artists | 2012-2014

11. "Good Girl", Carrie UnderwoodHey, good girl (hey, good girl)With your head in the cloudsI bet you I can tell youWhat you're thinkin' aboutYou'll see a good boy (you see a good boy)

Gonna give you the world But he's gonna leave you cryin' With your heart in the dirt His lips are dripping honey But he'll sting you like a bee So lock up all your love and Go and throw away the key Hey good girl (hey, good girl) Get out while you can I know you think you got a good man Why, why you gotta be so blind? Won't you open up your eyes? It's just a matter of time 'til you find He's no good, girl No good for you You better get to getting on your goodbye shoes and go, go-o-o, go-o-o-o... Better listen to me He's low, low, low... Hey, good girl (hey, good girl) You got a heart of gold You want a white wedding And a hand you can hold Just like you should, girl (Just like you should, girl) Like every good girl does Want a fairy tale ending, somebody to love But he's really good at lying Yeah, he'll leave you in the dust 'Cause when he says forever Well, it don't mean much Hey good girl (hey, good girl) So good for him Better back away honey You don't know where he's been Why, why you gotta be so blind? Won't you open up your eyes? It's just a matter of time 'til you find He's no good, girl No good for you

You better get to getting on your goodbye shoes and go, go-o-o, go-o-o-o... Yeah yeah yeah, he's low Yeah yeah yeah Oh, he's no good, girl Why can't you see? He'll take your heart and break it Listen to me, yeah Why, why you gotta be so blind? 12. "Why You Wanna", Jana Kramer Out of all of the places in this little town Yeah, you had to come walking in here and sit down I'm hiding and hoping my face ain't too red Since we been over, been trying like crazy to get you out of my head So-o-o Why you wanna Show up in a old t-shirt that I love Why you gotta tell me that I'm looking good Don't know what You were thinkin' You were doing Moving in for a hug Like you don't know I'm coming unglued Why you gotta Why you wanna Make me keep wanting you I wish you had on sunglasses to cover up those blue eyes I wish you said something mean to make me glad that you said goodbye Why can't you look off somewhere if you catch me staring at you Why can't you be cold like any old good ex would do So-o-o Why you wanna Show up in a old t-shirt that I love Why you gotta tell me that I'm looking good Don't know what You were thinkin' You were doing Moving in for a hug

Like you don't know I'm coming unglued Why you gotta Why you wanna Make me keep wanting you Keep wanting you Why Why Why Would you tell me that you call me up sometime? Maybe we can get a drink and just catch up Like that'd be enough No, that ain't enough Why you gotta Show up in a old t-shirt that I love Why you gotta tell me that I'm looking good Don't know what You were thinkin' You were doing Moving in for a hug Like you don't know I'm coming unglued Why you gotta Why you wanna Make me keep wanting you Why you gotta Why you wanna Make me keep wanting you Why you gotta Why you wanna Make me keep wanting you

13. "Over You", Miranda Lambert
Weather man said it's gonna snow
By now I should be used to the cold
Mid-February shouldn't be so scary
It was only December
I still remember the presents, the tree, you and me
But you went away
How dare you?
I miss you
They say I'll be OK

But I'm not going to ever get over you Living alone here in this place I think of you, and I'm not afraid Your favorite records make me feel better Cause you sing along With every song I know you didn't mean to give them to me But you went away How dare you? I miss you They say I'll be OK But I'm not going to ever get over you It really sinks in, you know, when I see it in stone Cause you went away, How dare you? I miss you They say I'll be OK But I'm not going to ever get over you

14. "Mama's Broken Heart", Miranda LambertI cut my bangs with some rusty kitchen scissorsI screamed his name 'til the neighbors called the c ops

I numbed the pain at the expense of my liver Don't know what I did next, all I know I couldn't s top

Word got around to the barflies and the Baptists My mama's phone started ringin' off the hook I can hear her now sayin' she ain't gonna have it Don't matter how you feel, it only matters how you look

Go and fix your make up, girl, it's just a break up

Run and hide your crazy and start actin' like a lady

'Cause I raised you better, gotta keep it together

Even when you fall apart

But this ain't my mama's broken heart

Wish I could be just a little less dramatic

Like a Kennedy when Camelot went down in flames

Leave it to me to be holdin' the matches

When the fire trucks show up and there's nobody else to blame

Can't get revenge and keep a spotless reputation Sometimes revenge is a choice you gotta make My mama came from a softer generation Where you get a grip and bite your lip just to save a little face Go and fix your make up, girl, it's just a break up Run and hide your crazy and start actin' like a lady 'Cause I raised you better, gotta keep it together Even when you fall apart But this ain't my mama's broken heart Powder your nose, paint your toes Line your lips and keep 'em closed Cross your legs, dot your eyes And never let 'em see you cry Go and fix your make up, well it's just a break up Run and hide your crazy and start actin' like a lady 'Cause I raised you better, gotta keep it together Even when you fall apart But this ain't my mama's broken heart

15. "We Are Never Ever Getting Back Together", Taylor SwiftI remember when we broke up the first timeSaying, "This is it, I've had enough," 'cause likeWe hadn't seen each other in a monthWhen you said you needed space.(What?)

Then you come around again and say "Baby, I miss you and I swear I'm gonna change, trust me." Remember how that lasted for a day? I say, "I hate you," we break up, you call me, "I love you." Ooh, we called it off again last night But ooh, this time I'm telling you, I'm telling you We are never ever ever getting back together, We are never ever ever getting back together, You go talk to your friends, talk to my friends, talk to me But we are never ever ever ever getting back together Like, ever... I'm really gonna miss you picking fights And me falling for it screaming that I'm right

And you would hide away and find your peace of mind

With some indie record that's much cooler than mine Ooh, you called me up again tonight But ooh, this time I'm telling you, I'm telling you We are never, ever, ever getting back together We are never, ever, ever getting back together You go talk to your friends, talk to my friends, talk to me (talk to me) But we are never ever ever ever getting back together Ooh, yeah, ooh yeah, ooh yeah Oh oh oh I used to think that we were forever ever And I used to say, "Never say never..." Uggg... so he calls me up and he's like, "I still love you," And I'm like... "I just... I mean this is exhausting, you know, like, We are never getting back together. Like, ever" No! We are never ever getting back together We are never ever getting back together You go talk to your friends, talk to my friends, talk to me But we are never ever ever getting back together We, ooh, getting back together, ohhh, We, ooh, getting back together You go talk to your friends, talk to my friends, talk to me (talk to me) But we are never ever ever getting back together

16. "See You Again", Carrie Underwood Oh Said goodbye, turned around And you were gone, gone, gone Faded into the setting sun, Slipped away But I won't cry Cause I know I'll never be lonely For you are the stars to me, You are the light I follow I will see you again, whoa This is not where it ends I will carry you with me, oh 'Til I see you again Oh oh

Oh oh oh oh oh oh oh oh oh oh oh I can hear those echoes in the wind at night Calling me back in time Back to you In a place far away Where the water meets the sky The thought of it makes me smile You are my tomorrow I will see you again, whoa This is not where it ends I will carry you with me, oh 'Til I see you again Sometimes I feel my heart is breaking But I stay strong and I hold on cause I know I will see you again, whoa This is not where it ends I will carry you with me, yeah, yeah I will see you again, whoa This is not where it ends I will carry you with me, oh 'Til I see you again. Oh 'Til I see you again, Oh 'Til I see you again, whoa 'Til I see you again, Said goodbye turned around And you were gone, gone, gone.

17. "Automatic", Miranda Lambert
Quarter in a payphone
Drying laundry on the line
Watching Sun Tea in the window
Pocket watch for tellin' time
Seems like only yesterday I'd get a blank cassette
Record the country countdown 'cause I couldn't buy it yet
If we drove all the way to Dallas just to buy an Easter dress
We'd take along a Rand McNally, stand in line to pay for gas
God knows that shifting gears ain't what it used to be

I learned to drive that 55 just like a queen, three on a tree Hey, whatever happened to waitin' your turn Doing it all by hand, 'Cause when everything is handed to you It's only worth as much as the time put in It all just seemed so good the way we had it Back before everything became automatic If you had something to say You'd write it on a piece of paper Then you'd put a stamp on it And they'd get it three days later Boys would call the girls And girls would turn them down Staying married was the only way to work your problems out Hey, whatever happened to waitin' your turn Doing it all by hand, 'Cause when everything is handed to you It's only worth as much as the time put in It all just seemed so good the way we had it Back before everything became automatic Automatic Let's pull the windows down Windows with the cranks Come on let's take a picture The kind you gotta shake Hey, whatever happened to waitin' your turn Doing it all by hand, 'Cause when everything is handed to you It's only worth as much as the time put in It all just seemed so good the way we had it Back before everything became automatic Yeah Automatic 18. "Wasting All These Tears", Cassadee Pope

I tried to find you at the bottom of a bottle Laying down on the bathroom floor My loneliness was rattling the windows You said you don't want me anymore And you left me Standing on a corner crying, Feeling like a fool for trying I don't even remember Why I'm wasting all these tears on you I wish I could erase our memory 'Cause you didn't give a damn about me Oh, finally I'm through Wasting all these tears on you These tears on you You ain't worth another sleepless night And I'll do everything I gotta do to get you off mymind 'Cause what you wanted I couldn't give What you did, boy, I'll never forget And you left me Standing on a corner crying Feeling like a fool for trying I don't even remember Why I'm wasting all these tears on you I wish I could erase our memory 'Cause you didn't give a damn about me Oh, finally I'm through Wasting all these tears on you These tears on you And you left me Standing on a corner crying Feeling like a fool for trying I don't even remember Why I'm wasting all these tears on you I wish I could erase our memory 'Cause you didn't give a damn about me Oh, finally I'm through Wasting all these tears on you Oh, oh, these tears on you I tried to find you at the bottom of a bottle Laying down on the bathroom floor

19. "The Heart Of Dixie", Danielle Bradbery She had a dead-end job at the National Bank And a deadbeat husband who always drank So when he didn't come home

She had the gin to thank for the tears in her eyes So Dixie packed up and said her goodbyes She went driving so far away nobody's gonna find her Flying just fast enough, to leave it all behind her But she didn't know till she hit the road, deep in her soul She's got the fire and the fight of a gypsy Ain't nothing stronger than the heart of Dixie The heart of Dixie It's a funny thing when your world falls down It's got a way of showing you what you're all about Now Dixie's got her wheels pointed south And she ain't never looking back Nobody knew she was brave like that She went driving so far away nobody's gonna find her Flying just fast enough, to leave it all behind her But she didn't know till she hit the road, deep in her soul She's got the fire and the fight of a gypsy Ain't nothing stronger than the heart of Dixie The heart of Dixie Yeah Dixie woke up to the truth one day Grabbed her cheap sunglasses and her lipstick case And she went driving so far away nobody's gonna find her Flying just fast enough, to leave it all behind her But she didn't know till she hit the road, deep in her soul She's got the fire and the fight of a gypsy Ain't nothing stronger than the heart of Dixie The heart of Dixie O-o-oh The heart of Dixie O-o-oh

20. "Slow Me Down", Sara Evans The wheels are turning in my mind Don't wanna leave but I might this time Seconds from whispering goodbye Yeah the wheels are turning in my mind If all that's left to do is walk away Then baby I'm as gone as yesterday But if there's something you still need to say You need to say it now, hurry up and slow me down

Slow me down If you let this train roll down these tracks Gonna wish you tried to talk me back Boy, you're gonna miss everything we had If you let this train roll down these tracks If all that's left to do is walk away Then baby I'm as gone as yesterday But if there's something you still need to say You need to say it now, hurry up and slow me down Slow me down The wheels are turning in my mind Don't wanna leave but I might this time If all that's left to do is walk away Then baby I'm as gone as yesterday But if there's something you still need to say You need to say it now (you need to say it now) Oh, you need to say it now (you need to say it now) Hurry up and slow me down Slow me down Slow me down

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11. "Wanted", Hunter Hayes You know I'd fall apart without you I don't know how you do what you do 'Cause everything that don't make sense about me Makes sense when I'm with you Like everything that's green, girl, I need you But it's more than one and one makes two Put aside the math and the logic of it You gotta know you're wanted too 'Cause I wanna wrap you up Wanna kiss your lips I wanna make you feel wanted And I wanna call you mine Wanna hold your hand forever And never let you forget it Yeah, I, I wanna make you feel wanted Anyone can tell you you're pretty, yeah

And you get that all the time, I know you do But your beauty's deeper than the make-up And I wanna show you what I see tonight... When I wrap you up When I kiss your lips. I wanna make you feel wanted And I wanna call you mine Wanna hold your hand forever And never let you forget it 'Cause, baby, I, I wanna make you feel wanted As good as you make me feel I wanna make you feel better Better than your fairy tales Better than your best dreams You're more than everything I need You're all I ever wanted All I ever wanted And I just wanna wrap you up Wanna kiss your lips I wanna make you feel wanted And I wanna call you mine Wanna hold your hand forever And never let you forget it Yeah, I wanna make you feel wanted Baby, I wanna make you feel wanted You'll always be wanted

12. "Drunk On You", Luke Bryan
Cottonwood fallin' like snow in July
Sunset, riverside, 4 wheel drives
In a tail light circle
Roll down the windows, turn it on up
Pour a little crown in a Dixie cup
Get the party started
Girl, you make my speakers go boom boom
Dancin' on the tailgate in a full moon
That kinda thing makes a man go mmm hmmm
You're lookin' so good in what's left of those blue jeans
Drip of honey on the money maker gotta be
The best buzz I'm ever gonna find

Hey, I'm a little drunk on you And high on summertime If you ain't a 10 you're a 9.9 Tippin' n' spillin' that home-made wine On your tied up T-shirt Every little kiss is drivin' me wild Throwin' little cherry bombs into my fire Good god almighty Girl, you make my speakers go boom boom Dancin' on the tailgate in a full moon That kinda thing makes a man go mmm hmmm You're lookin' so good in what's left of those blue jeans Drip of honey on the money maker gotta be The best buzz I'm ever gonna find Hey, I'm a little drunk on you And high on summertime Let's slip on out where it's a little bit darker And when it gets a little bit hotter We'll take it off on out in the water Girl, you make my speakers go boom boom Dancin' on the tailgate in a full moon That kinda thing makes a man go mmm hmmm You're lookin' so good in what's left of those blue jeans Drip of honey on the money maker gotta be The best buzz I'm ever gonna find Hey, I'm a little drunk on you And high on summertime Yeah, I'm a little drunk on you

#### 13. "Springsteen", Eric Church

To this day when I hear that song, I see you standing there on that lawn Discount shades, store bought tan, flip-flops and cut off jeans Somewhere between that setting sun, I'm On Fire and Born To Run You looked at me and I was done, we were just getting started I was singing to you, you were singing to me I was so alive, never been more free Fired up my daddy's lighter and we sang oh Stayed there 'til they forced us out We took the long way to your house And I can still hear the sound

Of you saying, "Don't go" When I think about you I think about 17 I think about my old Jeep I think about the stars in the sky Funny how a melody sounds like a memory Like a soundtrack to a July Saturday night Springsteen I bumped in to you by happenstance You probably wouldn't even know who I am But if I whispered your name, I bet there'd still be a spark Back when I was gasoline and this old tattoo had brand new ink And we didn't care what your momma think 'bout your name on my arm Baby is it spring or is it summer The guitar sound or the beat of the drummer You hear sometimes late at night on your radio Even though you're a million miles away When you hear Born In The USA Do you relive those glory days from so long ago When you think about me Do you think about 17 Do you think about my old Jeep Think about the stars in the sky Funny how a melody sounds like a memory Like a soundtrack to a July Saturday night Springsteen, Springsteen Woah-oh-oh Woah-oh-oh-oh Woah-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh Woah-oh-oh woah-oh-oh-oh Woah-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh Funny how a melody sounds like a memory Like a soundtrack to a July Saturday night Springsteen, Springsteen, oh, Springsteen Woah-oh-oh Woah-oh-oh-oh Woah-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh Woah-oh-oh woah-oh-oh-oh Woah-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh Woah-oh-oh Woah-oh-oh-oh Woah-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh Woah-oh-oh woah-oh-oh-oh Woah-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh 14. "Cruise", Florida Georgia Line Baby you a song

You make me wanna roll my windows down and cruise Hey baby Yeah, when I first saw that bikini top on her She's poppin' right out of the South Georgia water Thought, "Oh, good lord, she had them long tanned legs!" Couldn't help myself so I walked up and said Baby you a song You make me wanna roll my windows down and cruise Down a back road blowin' stop signs through the middle Every little farm town with you In this brand new Chevy with a lift kit Would look a hell of a lot better with you up in it So baby you a song You make me wanna roll my windows down and cruise She was sippin' on Southern and singin' Marshall Tucker We were falling in love in the sweet heart of summer She hopped right up into the cab of my truck and said, "Fire it up, let's go get this thing stuck." Baby you a song You make me wanna roll my windows down and cruise Down a back road blowin' stop signs through the middle Every little farm town with you In this brand new Chevy with a lift kit Would look a hell of a lot better with you up in it So baby you a song You make me wanna roll my windows down and cruise When that summer sun fell to its knees I looked at her and she looked at me And I turned on those KC lights and drove all night 'Cause it felt so right, her and I, man we felt so right I put it in park and Grabbed my guitar And strummed a couple chords And sang from the heart Girl you sure got the beat in my chest bumpin' Hell, I can't get you out of my head Baby you a song You make me wanna roll my windows down and cruise Down a back road blowin' stop signs through the middle Every little farm town with you Baby you a song You make me wanna roll my windows down and cruise

Down a back road blowin' stop signs through the middle Every little farm town with you In this brand new Chevy with a lift kit Would look a hell of a lot better with you up in it Come on Baby you a song You make me wanna roll my windows down and cruise Come on, girl Get those windows down and cruise Aww, yeah.

15. "Wagon Wheel", Darius Rucker Heading down south to the land of the pines I'm thumbing my way into North Carolina Staring up the road and pray to God I see headlights I made it down the coast in seventeen hours Picking me a bouquet of dogwood flowers And I'm a-hopin' for Raleigh, I can see my baby tonight So rock me momma like a wagon wheel Rock me momma any way you feel Hey momma rock me Rock me momma like the wind and the rain Rock me momma like a south bound train Hey momma rock me Running from the cold up in New England I was born to be a fiddler in an old time string band My baby plays a guitar, I pick a banjo now Oh, north country winters keep a-getting me down Lost my money playing poker so I had to leave town But I ain't turning back to living that old life no more So rock me momma like a wagon wheel Rock me momma any way you feel Hey momma rock me Rock me momma like the wind and the rain Rock me momma like a south bound train Hey momma rock me Walkin' to the south out of Roanoke I caught a trucker out of Philly had a nice long toke But he's a-heading west from the Cumberland gap To Johnson City,

Tennessee

I gotta get a move on before the sun I hear my baby calling my name and I know that she's the only one And if I die in Raleigh at least I will die free So rock me momma like a wagon wheel Rock me momma any way you feel Hey momma rock me Oh, rock me momma like the wind and the rain Rock me momma like a south bound train Hev, hev momma rock me Oh, so rock me momma like a wagon wheel Rock me momma any way you feel (I wanna feel) Hey, hey momma rock me (momma rock me, momma rock me) Rock me momma like the wind and the rain Rock me momma like a south bound train (I wanna rock like a south bound train) Hey momma rock me Rock me

16. "Crash My Party", Luke Bryan It don't matter what plans I got, I can break 'em. Yeah, I can turn this thing around at the next red light And I don't mind telling all the guys I can't meet 'em. Hell, we can all go raise some hell on any other night Girl, I don't care. Oh I just gotta see what you're wearing. Your hair, is it pulled up or falling down? Oh I just have to see it now. If you wanna call me, call me, call me. You don't have to worry 'bout it baby. You can wake me up in the dead of the night; Wreck my plans, baby that's alright. This is a drop everything kind of thing. Swing on by I'll pour you a drink. The door's unlocked. I'll leave on the lights Baby you can crash my party anytime. Ain't a spot downtown that's rockin' the way that you rock me. Ain't a bar that can make me buzz the way that you do. I could be on the front row of the best show. And look down and see your face on my phone. And I'm gone so long, hang on. I'll meet you in a minute or two.

If you wanna call me, call me, call me. You don't have to worry 'bout it baby. You can wake me up in the dead of the night; Wreck my plans, baby that's alright. This is a drop everything kind of thing. Swing on by I'll pour you a drink. The door's unlocked. I'll leave on the lights Baby you can crash my party anytime. If it's 2 in the morning And you're feeling lonely And wondering what I'm doing... If you wanna call me, call me, call me. You don't have to worry 'bout it baby. You can wake me up in the dead of the night; Wreck my plans, baby that's alright. This is a drop everything kind of thing. Swing on by I'll pour you a drink. The door's unlocked. I'll leave on the lights Baby you can crash my party anytime. Go ahead and call me, call me, call me You don't have to worry 'bout it baby. You can wake me up in the dead of the night; Wreck my plans, baby that's alright. This is a drop everything kind of thing. Swing on by I'll pour you a drink. The door's unlocked. I'll leave on the lights Baby you can crash my party anytime. (Call me, call me, call me) Baby you can crash my party anytime.

17. "I Want Crazy", Hunter Hayes Mmmmm...

I'm booking myself a one-way flight I gotta see the color in your eyes Yeah tellin' myself I'm gonna be alright Without you baby is a waste of time Yeah, our first date, girl, the seasons changed It got washed away in a summer rain You can't undo a fall like this 'Cause love don't know what distance is

Yeah, I know it's crazy But I don't want "good" and I don't want "good enough" I want "can't sleep, can't breathe without your love" Front porch and one more kiss, it doesn't make sense to anybody else Who cares if you're all I think about, I've searched the world and I know now, It ain't right if you ain't lost your mind Yeah, I don't want easy, I want crazy Are you with me baby? Let's be crazy Yeah I wanna be scared, don't wanna know why Wanna feel good, don't have to be right The world makes all kinds of rules for love I say you gotta let it do what it does I don't want just another hug and a kiss goodnight Catchin' up calls and a date sometimes I love that we're rebels, and we still believe We're the kind of crazy people wish that they could be, yeah Oh, and I know we're crazy, yeah But I don't want "good" and I don't want "good enough" I want "can't sleep, can't breathe without your love" Front porch and one more kiss, it doesn't make sense to anybody else Who cares if you're all I think about, I've searched the world and I know now, It ain't right if you ain't lost your mind Yeah, I don't want easy, I want crazy You with me baby? Let's be crazy Na, na, na, na, na, na, na, na No, I don't want "good" and I don't want "good enough" I want "can't sleep, can't breathe without your love" Front porch and one more kiss, it doesn't make sense to anybody else Who cares if you're all I think about, I've searched the world and I know now, It ain't right if you ain't lost your mind Yeah, I don't want easy, I want crazy Yeah, look at us baby, tonight the midnight rules are breaking There's no such thing as wild enough, And maybe we just think too much Who needs to play it safe in love?

Let's be crazy! Na na na oh na na na na oh Who cares if we're crazy? We gotta be crazy! I know that we're crazy, so let's be crazy! Yeah-ah-ah...

18. "This Is How We Roll", Florida Georgia Line ft. Luke Bryan The mixtape's got a little Hank, little Drake A little something bumping, thump, thumping on the wheel ride The mix in our drink's a little stronger than you think So get a grip, take a sip of that feel right The truck's jacked up, flat bills flipped back Yeah, you can find us where the party's at This is how we roll We hanging round singing out everything on the radio We light it up with our hands up This is how we roll This is how we do We're burning down the night shooting bullets at the moon, baby This is how we roll Yeah, baby, this is how we roll We rollin' into town With nothing else to do we take another lap around Yeah, holler at your boy if you need a ride If you roll with me, yeah, you know we rollin' high Up on them 37 Nittos, windows tinted hard to see though How fresh my baby is in the shotgun seat, oh Them kisses are for me though, automatic like a free throw This life I live it might not be for you but it's for me though Let's roll! This is how we roll We hanging round singing out everything on the radio We light it up with our hands up This is how we roll This is how we do When the world turns ugly I just turn and look at you, baby This is how we roll Yeah, we're proud to be young We stick to our guns

We love who we love and we wanna have fun Yeah, we cuss on them Mondays And pray on them Sundays Pass it around and we dream of that one day 'Cause this is how we roll We hanging round singing out everything on the radio We light it up with our hands up This is how we roll This is how we ride We slingin' up the mud, cuttin' through the country side, baby This is how we roll Yeah, this is how we roll This is how we roll This is how we do We're burning down the night shooting bullets at the moon, baby This is how we roll Yeah, this is how we roll

19. "Classic", MKTO Hey! Where's the drums? Oh whoa-oh-oh-oh Let's go! Ooh girl you're shining Like a 5th avenue diamond And they don't make you like they used to You're never going out of style Ooh pretty baby This world might've gone crazy The way you save me Who can blame me When I just wanna make you smile? I wanna thrill you like Michael I wanna kiss you like Prince Let's get it on like Marvin Gaye Like Hathaway Write a song for you like this You're over my head I'm out of my mind Thinking I was born in the wrong time

One of a kind, living in a world gone plastic Baby you're so classic Baby you're so classic Baby you, Baby you're so classic Four dozen roses Anything for you to notice All the way to serenade you Doing it Sinatra style I'm a pick you up in a Cadillac Like a gentleman bringin' glamour back Keep it reel to reel in the way I feel I could walk you down the aisle I wanna thrill you like Michael I wanna kiss you like Prince Let's get it on like Marvin Gaye Like Hathaway Write a song for you like this You're over my head I'm out of my mind Thinking I was born in the wrong time It's love on rewind, Everything is so throwback-ish (I kinda like it, like it) Out of my league Old school chic Like a movie star From the silver screen You're one of a kind living in a world gone plastic Baby you're so classic Baby you're so classic

20. "Burnin' It Down", Jason Aldean You slip your finger through the tear in my t-shirt You stirrin' up dirty in the back of my mind You keep on flirtin' cause you know that it's workin' You stuck in my head girl writing the lines Couldn't sing this song without you if I tried Let's light it up like it's our last night We're just hanging around

Burnin' it down Sippin' on some cold Jack Daniel's Jammin' to some old Alabama with you, baby Laying right here naked in my bed I'm just doing my thing You love it when I sing Say it makes you feel like an angel We about to get a little tangled up right about now So girl let's keep burnin' it down Burnin' it down Burnin' it down Girl when you want it, you know that I'm on it You know that I love lovin' up on you Let's hit the switch and let our shadows dance And light it up like it's our last chance We're just hanging around Burnin' it down Sippin' on some cold Jack Daniel's Jammin' to some old Alabama with you, baby Laying right here dreaming in my bed I'm just doing my thing You love it when I sing Say it makes you feel like an angel We about to get a little tangled up right about now So girl let's keep burnin' it down I wanna rock it all night Baby girl, will you rock it out with me? I wanna crawl through the dark Just to feel your heart beat against me I wanna rock it all night Baby girl, will you rock it out with me? I wanna crawl through the dark Just to feel your heart beat against me We're just hanging around

Burnin' it down Sippin' on some cold Jack Daniel's Jammin' to some old Alabama with you baby Laying right here naked in my bed I'm just doing my thing You love it when I sing Say it makes you feel like an angel We about to get a little tangled up right about now So girl let's keep burnin' it down Burnin' it down Burnin' it down

### Pop | Female Artists | 1958-1960

11. "Sugartime", The McGuire Sisters Da-da-da-da-da Da-da-da-da-da Da-da-da-da-da Well Sugar in the mornin' sugar in the evenin' sugar at supper time Be my little sugar and love me all the time Honey in the mornin' honey in the evenin' honey at supper time So be my little honey and love me all the time Put your arms around me and swear by stars above You'll be mine forever in a heaven of love Sugar in the mornin', sugar in the evenin', sugar at supper time Be my little sugar and love me all the time Well, well Sugar in the mornin', sugar in the evenin', sugar at supper time (Su-gar, sugar time, su-gar time) Be my little sugar and love me all the time Honey in the mornin', honey in the evenin', honey at supper time So be my little honey and love me all the time Put your arms around me and swear by stars above You'll be mine forever in a heaven of love Sugar in the mornin', sugar in the evenin', sugar at supper time Be my little sugar and love me all the

Now sugartime is anytime (Sugar time) That you're near 'cause you're so dear (That you're near) So don't you roam just be my honeycomb (Don't roam) (Honeycomb) (Honeycomb) And live in a heaven of love Sugar in the mornin', sugar in the evenin', sugar at supper time Be my little sugar and love me (Love me) All (All) All the time (All the time) Sugartime, sugartime, sugartime!

12. "Lollipop", The Chordettes Lollipop, lollipop Oh lolli, lolli, lolli, lollipop, lollipop Call my baby lollipop, tell you why His kiss is sweeter than an apple pie And when he does his shaky rockin' dance Man, I haven't got a chance I call him lollipop, lollipop Oh lolli, lolli, lolli, lollipop lollipop Sweeter than candy on a stick Huckleberry, chimry or lime If you had a choice he'd be your pick But lollipop is mine Lollipop, lollipop Oh lolli, lolli, lolli Lollipop, lollipop Crazy way he thrills me, tell you why Just like a lightning from the sky He loves to kiss me till I can't see straight Gee, my lollipop is great

I call him lollipop, lollipop Oh lolli, lolli, lolli, lollipop, lollipop

13. "Born Too Late", Poni Tails Born too late for you to notice me To you, I'm just a kid that you won't date Why was I born too late? Born too late to have a chance to win your love Oh why, oh why was it my fate To be born too late? I see you walk with another I wish it could be me I long to hold you and kiss you But I know it never can be For I was Born too late for you to care Now my heart cries Because your heart just couldn't wait Why was I born too late? Born too late for you to care Now my heart cries Because your heart just couldn't wait Why was I born too la-a-a-ate? Why was I born too late? Too late

14. "Pink Shoelaces", Dodie Stevens
Now I've got a guy and his name is Dooley
He's my guy and I love him truly
He's not good lookin', heaven knows
But I'm wild about his crazy clothes
He wears tan shoes with pink shoelaces
A polka dot vest and man, oh, man
Tan shoes with pink shoelaces
And a big Panama with a purple hat band
Ooh-ooh, ooh, ooh
Ooh-ooh, ooh, ooh
He takes me deep-sea fishing in a submarine
We got to drive-in movies in a limousine
He's got a whirly-birdy and a 12-foot yacht

Ah, but thats-a not all he's got He's got tan shoes with pink shoelaces A polka dot vest and man, oh, man Tan shoes with pink shoelaces And a big Panama with a purple hat band Now Dooley had a feelin' we were goin' to war So he went out and enlisted in a fightin' corps But he landed in the brig for raisin' such a storm When they tried to put 'em in a uniform He wanted tan shoes with pink shoelaces A polka dot vest and man, oh, man He wanted tan shoes with pink shoelaces And a big Panama with a purple hat band Ooh-ooh, ooh, ooh Ooh-ooh, ooh, ooh Now one day Dooley started feelin' sick And he decided that he better make his will out quick He said "Just before the angels come to carry me I want it down in writin' how to bury me." A'wearin tan shoes with pink shoelaces A polka dot vest and man, oh, man Give me tan shoes with pink shoelaces And a big Panama with a purple hat band Ooh-ooh, ooh, ooh Ooh-ooh, ooh, ooh Ooh-ooh, ooh, ooh And a big Panama with a purple hat band!!

15. "Tall Paul", Annette Funicello
Chalk on the sidewalk, writin' on the wall
Everybody knows it, I love Paul
Tall Paul, tall Paul
Tall Paul, he's-a my all
Chalk on the sidewalk
(Chalk on the sidewalk)
'Nitials on a tree
('Nitials on a tree)
Ev'rybody knows it
(Ev'rybody knows it)

Paul loves me (Tall Paul) With the king-size arms (Tall Paul) With the king-size charms (Tall Paul) With the king-size kiss (He's my all) He's my all (Tall Paul is my love, tall Paul is my dream) (He's the captain of the high school football team) He's my mountain, he's my tree We go steady, Paul and me Tall Paul (With the great big smile) Tall Paul (With the great big eyes) Tall Paul (With the great big kiss) He's my all Tall Paul, tall Paul Tall Paul, he's my all

16. "Don't You Know", Della Reese Don't you know I have fallen in love with you For the rest of my whole life through Don't you know I was yours from the very day That you happened to come my way Can't you see I'm under your spell By the look in my eyes Can't you tell, can't you tell Now, don't you know Every beat of my heart keeps crying out I want you so Don't you know Don't you know Every beat of my heart keeps crying out I love you so

Don't you know

17. "Sixteen Reasons (Why I Love You)", Connie Stevens (Sixteen reasons) Why I (why I) love you (One) the way you hold my hand (Two) your laughing eyes (Three) the way you understand (Four) your secret sighs They're all part of sixteen reasons why I (why I) love you (Five) the way you comb your hair (Six) your freckled nose (Seven) the way you say you care (Eight) your crazy clothes That's just half of sixteen reasons why I (why I) love you (Nine) snuggling in the car (Ten) your wish upon a star (Eleven) whispering on the phone (Twelve) your kiss when we're alone (Thirteen) the way you thrill my heart (Fourteen) your voice so neat (Fifteen) you say we'll never part (Sixteen) our love's complete Those are all of sixteen reasons why I (why I) love you (Sixteen reasons) Why I (why I) love you

18. "Everybody's Somebody's Fool", Connie Francis
The tears I cried for you could fill an ocean
But you don't care how many tears I cry
And though you only lead me on and hurt me
I couldn't bring myself to say goodbye
'Cause everybody's somebody's fool
Everybody's somebody's plaything
And there are no exceptions to the rule
Yes, everybody's somebody's fool
I told myself it's best that I forget you
Though I'm a fool at least I know the score
Yet darlin' I'd be twice as blue without you

It hurts but I come runnin' back for more 'Cause everybody's somebody's fool Everybody's somebody's plaything And there are no exceptions to the rule Yes, everybody's somebody's fool Someday you'll find someone you really care for And if her love should prove to be untrue You'll know how much this heart of mine is breaking You'll cry for her the way I've cried for you Yes, everybody's somebody's fool Everybody's somebody's fool Everybody's somebody's fool

19. "My Heart Has a Mind of Its Own", Connie Francis I told this heart of mine Our love could never be But then I hear your voice And something stirs inside of me Somehow I can't dismiss The memory of your kiss Guess my heart has a mind of its own No matter what I do No matter what I say No matter how I try I just can't turn the other way When I'm with someone new I always think of you Guess my heart has a mind of its own You're not in love with me So why can't I forget? I'm just your "used-to-be" It's wrong and yet I know forgetting you Would be a hopeless thing For I'm a puppet and I Just can't seem to break the string I say I'll let you go But then my heart says no Guess my heart has a mine of its own

Guess my heart has a mind of its own

20. "Maybe", The Chantels Maybe, if I pray every night You'll come back to me And maybe, if I cry everyday You'll come back to stay Oh, maybe Maybe, if I hold your hand I'd be at your command And maybe, if I kissed your lips You'll be at my command Oh, maybe I've prayed and prayed to the Lord To send you back, my love But instead you came to me Only in my dreams Maybe, if I pray every night You'll come back to me And maybe, if I cry every day You'll come back to stay Oh, maybe (Maybe, maybe baby) Maybe (Maybe, maybe baby) Maybe (Maybe, maybe baby) Maybe (Maybe, maybe, baby)

# Pop | Male Artists | 1958-1960

11. "Return to Me", Dean Martin Return to meOh my dear I'm so lonelyHurry back, hurry backOh my love hurry back I'm yours Return to me For my heart wants you only Hurry home, hurry home Won't you please hurry home to my heart My darling, if I hurt you I'm sorry Forgive me and please say you are mine Return to me Please come back bella mia Hurry back, hurry home to my arms To my lips and my heart Retorna me Cara mia ti amo Solo tu, solo tu, solo tu, solo tu Mio cuore

12. "Secretly", Jimmie Rodgers Why must I meet you in a secret rendezvous? Why must we steal away to steal a kiss or two? Why must we wait to do the things we want to do? Why, oh, why, oh, why, oh, why, oh why? Wish we didn't have to meet secretly Wish we didn't have to kiss secretly Wish we didn't have to be afraid To show the world that we're in love Till we have the right to meet openly Till we have the right to kiss openly We'll just have to be content to be in love secretly Why, oh, why, oh, why, oh, why, oh why? Wish we didn't have to meet secretly Wish we didn't have to kiss secretly Wish we didn't have to be afraid To show the world that we're in love Till we have the right to meet openly Till we have the right to kiss openly We'll just have to be content to be in love secretly

13. "Do I Like It", Nat King ColeI was alone and fancy freeEnjoying all my libertyI met you, baby

Then things changed I started acting Oh, so strange Do I like it, do I like it Yes, I do Well, every day I had a ball I didn't have a care at all And everything was just okay Until you made me change my way Do I like it, do I like it Yes, I do Like a schoolboy Loves his cherry pie You really move me My, oh, my You caught me, baby I'm really hooked No doubt about it My goose is cooked It won't be long before I hear Her whisper softly in my ear I love you, baby, yes, I do And from now on It's me and you Do I like it, do I like it Yes, I do Like a schoolboy Loves his cherry pie You really move me

14. "Venus", Frankie AvalonHey, Venus, oh, Venus Venus, if you willPlease send a little girl for me to thrillA girl who wants my kisses and my armsA girl with all the charms of youVenus, make her fairA lovely girl with sunlight in her hairAnd take the brightest stars up in the skiesAnd place them in her eyes for meVenus, goddess of love that you are

Surely the things I ask Can't be too great a task Venus, if you do I promise that I always will be true I'll give her all the love I have to give As long as we both shall live Venus, goddess of love that you are Surely the things I ask Can't be too great a task Venus, if you do I promise that I always will be true I'll give her all the love I have to give As long as we both shall live Hey, Venus, oh, Venus Make my wish come true

15. "Lonely Boy", Paul Anka I'm just a lonely boy Lonely and blue I'm all alone With nothin' to do I've got everything You could think of But all I want Is someone to love Someone, yes, someone to love Someone to kiss Someone to hold At a moment like this I'd like to hear Somebody say I'll give you my love Each night and day I'm just a lonely boy Lonely and blue I'm all alone With nothin' to do I've got everything You could think of

But all I want Is someone to love Somebody, somebody Somebody, please Send her to me I'll make her happy Just wait and see I prayed so hard To the heavens above That I might find Someone to love I'm just a lonely boy lonely and blue I'm all alone With nothin' to do I've got everything You could think of But all I want Is someone to love

16. "Put Your Head On My Shoulder", Paul Anka Put your head on my shoulder Hold me in your arms, baby Squeeze me oh so tight Show me that you love me too Put your lips next to mine, dear Won't you kiss me once, baby Just a kiss goodnight, maybe You and I will fall in love (You and I will fall in love) People say that love's a game A game you just can't win If there's a way I'll find it someday And then this fool with rush in Put your head on my shoulder Whisper in my ear, baby Words I want to hear Tell me, tell me that you love me too (Tell me that you love me too)

Put your head on my shoulder Whisper in my ear, baby Words I want to hear, baby Put your head on my shoulder

17. "Cathy's Clown", The Everly Brothers Don't want your love anymore Don't want your kisses, that's for sure I die each time I hear this sound: "Here he comes. That's Cathy's clown." I've gotta stand tall You know a man can't crawl But when he knows you're tellin' lies And he hears them passing' by He's not a man at all Don't want your love anymore Don't want your kisses, that's for sure I die each time I hear this sound: "Here he comes. That's Cathy's clown." When you see me shed a tear And you know that it's sincere Don't you think it's kind of sad That you're treating me so bad Or don't you even care? Don't want your love anymore Don't want your kisses, that's for sure I die each time I hear this sound: "Here he comes. That's Cathy's clown That's Cathy's clown That's Cathy's clown."

18. It's Just A Matter Of Time, Brook Benton Someday, somewayYou'll realize that you've been blindYes darling,you're going to need me again It's just a matter of time Go on, go on Until you reach the end of the line Well I know you'll pass my way again It's just a matter of time After I gave you everything I had You laughed and called me a clown Remember in your search for fortune and fame What goes up must come down I, I know, I know That one day you'll wake up and find That my love was a true love It's just a matter of time

19. "Why", Frankie Avalon Why, because I love you I'll always love you so Why, because you love me No broken hearts for us 'Cause we love each other And with our faith and trust There could be no other Why, 'cause I love you Why, 'cause you love me I think you're awfully sweet Why, because I love you You say I'm your special treat Why, because you love me We found the perfect love Yes, a love that's yours and mine I love you and love you me All the time (I'll never let you go) (Why, because I love you) Yes, I love you (I'll always love you so) (Why, because you love me)

Yes, you love me We found the perfect love Yes, a love that's yours and mine I love you and love you me I love you and love you me We'll love each other, dear, forever 20. "When", Kalin Brothers When, when you smile, when you smile at me Well, well I know our love will always be When, when you kiss, when you kiss me right I, I don't want to ever say good night I need you I want you near me I love you Yes, I do and I hope you hear me When, when I say, when I say "Be mine" If, if you will I know all will be fine When will you be mine? (Oh, baby) (I need you) (I want you near me) (I love you) (Yes, I do and I hope you hear me when) When, when you smile, when you smile at me Well, well I know our love will always be When, when you kiss, when you kiss me right I, I don't want to ever say good night I need you I want you near me I love you Yes, I do and I hope you hear me When, when I say, when I say "Be mine" If, if you will I know all will be fine When will you be mine?

# Pop | Female Artists | 1985-1987

11. "Like A Virgin", MadonnaI made it through the wilderness

Somehow I made it through Didn't know how lost I was Until I found you I was beat incomplete I'd been had, I was sad and blue But you made me feel Yeah, you made me feel Shiny and new Like a virgin Touched for the very first time Like a virgin When your heart beats Next to mine Gonna give you all my love, boy My fear is fading fast Been saving it all for you 'Cause only love can last You're so fine and you're mine Make me strong, yeah you make me bold Oh your love thawed out Yeah, your love thawed out What was scared and cold Like a virgin Touched for the very first time Like a virgin With your heartbeat Next to mine Oooh, oooh, oooh You're so fine and you're mine I'll be yours 'till the end of time 'Cause you made me feel Yeah, you made me feel I've nothing to hide Like a virgin Touched for the very first time Like a virgin With your heartbeat Next to mine Like a virgin, ooh, ooh Like a virgin

Feels so good inside When you hold me, and your heart beats, and you love me Oh, oh, oh, oh, oh, oh, oh, oh Ooh, baby Can't you hear my heart beat For the very first time?

12. "Crazy For You", Madonna Swaying room as the music starts Strangers making the most of the dark Two by two their bodies become one I see you through the smoky air Can't you feel the weight of my stare You're so close but still a world away What I'm dying to say, is that I'm crazy for you Touch me once and you'll know it's true I never wanted anyone like this It's all brand new, you'll feel it in my kiss I'm crazy for you, crazy for you Trying hard to control my heart I walk over to where you are Eye to eye we need no words at all Slowly now we begin to move Every breath I'm deeper into you Soon we two are standing still in time If you read my mind, you'll see I'm crazy for you Touch me once and you'll know it's true I never wanted anyone like this It's all brand new, you'll feel it in my kiss I'm crazy for you, crazy for you It's all brand new, I'm crazy for you And you know it's true I'm crazy, crazy for you

13. "Freeway of Love", Aretha Franklin Knew you'd be a vision in white How'd you get your pants so tight?Don't know what you're doin'

But you must be livin' right, yeah We got some places to see I brought all the maps with me So jump in, it ain't no sin Take a ride in my machine City traffic's movin' way too slow Drop the pedal and go, go, go We goin' ridin' on the freeway of love Wind's against our back We goin' ridin' on the freeway of love In my pink Cadillac We goin' ridin' on the freeway of love Wind's against our back Ain't we ridin' on the freeway of love In my pink Cadillac? Never you mind the exit signs We got lots of time We can't quit till we get To the other side With the radio playin' our song We keep rollin' on Who knows how far a car can get Before you think about slowin', slowin' down, yeah City traffic's movin' way too slow Drop the pedal and go, go Come on now, go We goin' ridin' on the freeway of love Wind's against our back We goin' ridin' on the freeway of love In my pink Cadillac We goin' ridin' on the freeway of love Wind's against our back Ain't we ridin' on the freeway of love In my pink Cadillac? Here we go, one more time With the wind and your fingers in my hand Kind of think we are going for an extended throw down So drop the top, baby, and let's cruise on into This better than ever street City traffic movin' way too slow

Drop the pedal and go, go Come on baby, go, do it for me now We goin' ridin' on the freeway of love Wind's against my back We goin' ridin' on the freeway of love In my pink Cadillac We goin' ridin' on the freeway of love Wind's against my back Ain't we ridin' on the freeway of love

14. "I Miss You", Klymaxx Thought I heard your voice yesterday Then I turned around to say that I loved you Then I realized that it was just my mind playing tricks on me.... It seems colder lately at night and I try to sleep with the lights on Every time the phone rings I pray to God it's you I just can't believe (Just can't believe) That we're through... I miss you (I miss you...) There's no other way to say it And I, And I can't deny it. I miss you (I miss you...) It's so easy to see I miss you and me..... Is it done and over this time? Can we ever change our minds? But it's our first love... All the feelings that we used to share... I refuse to believe that you don't care. I miss you (I miss you...) There's no other way to say it And I, And I can't deny it.

I miss you (I miss you...) It's so easy to see I miss you and me..... I've got to gather my senses together (Gather) I've been through worse kinds of weather If it's over now (Over now) be strong (Be strong) I can't believe that you're gone... I've got to carry on. I miss you (I miss you...) It's driving me crazy I don't want to live without you. I miss you (I miss you...) It's so easy to see I miss you and me.....

15. "How Will I Know", Whitney Houston There's a boy I know, he's the one I dream of Looks into my eyes, takes me to the clouds above Ooh I lose control, can't seem to get enough When I wake from dreaming, tell me is it really love How will I know (Don't trust your feelings) How will I know How will I know (Love can be deceiving) How will I know How will I know if he really loves me I say a prayer with every heart beat I fall in love whenever we meet I'm asking you what you know about these things How will I know if he's thinking of me I try to phone but I'm too shy (Can't speak) Falling in love is all bitter sweet

This love is strong why do I feel weak Oh, wake me, I'm shaking, wish I had you near me now Said there's no mistaking, what I feel is really love How will I know (Don't trust your feelings) How will I know How will I know (Love can be deceiving) How will I know How will I know if he really loves me If he loves me, if he loves me not If he loves me, if he loves me not If he loves me, if he loves me not How will I know (Don't trust your feelings) How will I know How will I know (Love can be deceiving) How will I know How will I know if he really loves me

16. "Take My Breath Away", Berlin Watching every motion In my foolish lover's game On this endless ocean Finally lovers know no shame Turning and returning To some secret place inside Watching in slow motion As you turn around and say Take my breath away Take my breath away Watching I keep waiting Still anticipating love Never hesitating To become the fated ones Turning and returning To some secret place to find Watching in slow motion As you turn to me and say

My love Take my breath away Through the hourglass I saw you In time you slipped away When the mirror crashed I called you And turned to hear you say If only for today I am unafraid Take my breath away Take my breath away Watching every motion In this foolish lover's game Haunted by the notion Somewhere there's a love in flames Turning and returning To some secret place inside Watching in slow motion As you turn my way and say Take my breath away Take my breath away

17. "Looking for a New Love", Jody Watley Hasta la vista, baby You gave me love, you did me wrong Didn't know what to do But baby, I'm strong, gonna get over you A new boy I'm gonna choose, you'll see My love was true, still you threw it all away Now other guys will have me, they'll appreciate my love Tell me, how does it feel You know that I needed you You know that you meant the world to me You know I had to have you Now I'm gonna find somebody new I'm looking for a new love, baby A new love, yeah yeah yeah I'm looking for a new love, baby A new love, yeah yeah yeah Was she hot, did she turn you out? Curiosity rules my brain

Was she worth my heart? It's torn all apart Are you going back again? Tell me My love was true, still you threw it all away But now you're like the rest, unworthy of my best Hasta la vista, baby You know that I needed you You know that you meant the world to me You know I had to have you Now I'm gonna find somebody new I'm looking for a new love, baby A new love, yeah yeah yeah I'm looking for a new love, baby A new love, yeah yeah yeah I'm looking for a new love, baby A new love, yeah yeah yeah I'm looking for a new love, baby A new love, yeah yeah yeah You know that I needed you You know that you meant the world to me I had to have you Now I'm gonna find somebody new I'm looking for a new love, baby A new love, yeah yeah yeah I'm looking for a new love, baby A new love, yeah yeah yeah I'm looking for a new love, baby A new love, yeah yeah yeah I'm looking for a new love, baby A new love, yeah yeah yeah Other guys will have me, they'll appreciate my love Tell me, how does it feel Now you're like the rest, unworthy of my best Hasta la vista, baby I'm looking for a new love, baby (Other guys will have me, they'll appreciate my love) I'm looking for a new love baby

(Tell me, how does it feel)I'm looking for a new love baby(Now you're like the rest, unworthy of my best)I'm looking for a new love baby, a new loveI'm looking for a new love baby, a new loveI'm looking for a new love baby, a new loveHasta la vista, baby

18. "I Think We're Alone Now", Tiffany

Children behave, that's what they say when we're together

And watch how you play

They don't understand

And so we're

Running just as fast as we can, holding on to one another's hands

Trying to get away into the night and then you put your arms around me

And we tumble to the ground and then you say

I think we're alone now,

There doesn't seem to be anyone around

I think we're alone now,

The beating of our hearts is the only sound

Look at the way we gotta hide what we're doin'

'Cause what would they say

If they ever knew

And so we're

Running just as fast as we can, holding on to one another's hands

Trying to get away into the night and then you put your arms around me

And we tumble to the ground and then you say

I think we're alone now,

There doesn't seem to be anyone around

I think we're alone now,

The beating of our hearts is the only sound

I think we're alone now,

There doesn't seem to be anyone around

I think we're alone now,

The beating of our hearts is the only sound

Running just as fast as we can, holding on to one another hands

Trying to get away into the night and then you put your arms around me

And we tumble to the ground and then you say I think we're alone now, There doesn't seem to be anyone around I think we're alone now, The beating of our hearts is the only sound I think we're alone now, There doesn't seem to be anyone around I think we're alone now, The beating of our hearts is the only sound I think we're alone now, There doesn't seem to be anyone around I think we're alone now, The beating of our hearts is the only sound I think we're alone now, There doesn't seem to be anyone around I think we're alone now. The beating of our hearts is the only sound

19. "Only In My Dreams", Debbie Gibson Every time I'm telling secrets I remember how it used to be And I realized how much I miss you And I realize how it feels to be free Now I see I'm up to no good (no, no good) And I wanna start again Can't remember when I felt good (felt good baby) No I can't remember when No, only in my dreams As real as it may seem It was only in my dreams Couldn't see how much I missed you (now I do) Couldn't see how much it meant (ahh) Now I see my world come tumbling down (Tumbling down my world) Now I see the road is bent If I only once could hold you (no, no, no) And remember how it used to be (ahh) If only I could scold you

And forget how it feels to be free No, only in my dreams As real as it may seem It was only in my dreams No, No, no, no, only in my dreams As real as it may seem It was only in my dreams As real as it may seem It was only in my dreams No, only in my dreams No,

No, no, no, only in my dreams As real as it may seem It was only in my dreams No, no, no, only in my dreams As real as it may seem It was only in my dreams

20. "Strut", Sheena Easton He said, "Baby, what's wrong with you? Why don't you use your imagination?" (Oh no, oh no) "Nations go to war over women like you It's just a form of appreciation" "Come on over here, lay your clothes on the chair Now let the lace fall across your shoulder" (Oh no, oh no) "Standing in the half-light, you're almost like her So take it slow like your daddy told ya" Strut, pout, put it out That's what you want from women Come on, baby, whatcha takin' me for? Strut, pout, cut it out All takin' and no givin' Watch me baby, while I walk out the door I said, "Honey, I don't like this game You make me feel like a girl for hire" (Oh no, oh no)

"All this fascination with leather and lace

Is just the smoke from another fire" He said, "Honey, don't stop a speeding train Before it reaches it destination" (Oh no, oh no) "Lie down here beside me, oh, have some fun too Don't turn away from your true vocation" Strut, pout, put it out That's what you want from women Come on, baby, whatcha takin' me for? Strut, pout, cut it out All takin' and no givin' Watch me baby, while I walk out the door I won't be your baby doll Be your baby doll I won't be your baby doll Be your baby doll Strut, pout, put it out That's what you want from women Come on, baby, whatcha takin' me for? Strut, pout, cut it out All takin' and no givin' Watch me baby, while I walk out the door Strut, pout, put it out That's what you want from women Come on, baby, whatcha takin' me for? Strut, pout, cut it out All takin' and no givin' Watch me baby, while I walk out the door

## Pop | Male Artists | 1985-1987

11. "Careless Whisper", Wham!
Time can never mend the careless whispers, of a good friend
To the heart and mind, ignorance is kind
There's no comfort in the truth
Pain is all you'll find
Should've known better
I feel so unsure
As I take your hand and lead you to the dance floor
As the music dies, something in your eyes

Calls to mind the silver screen And all its sad good-byes I'm never gonna dance again Guilty feet have got no rhythm Though it's easy to pretend I know your not a fool Should've known better than to cheat a friend And waste the chance that I've been given So I'm never gonna dance again The way I danced with you Time can never mend The careless whispers of a good friend To the heart and mind Ignorance is kind There's no comfort in the truth Pain is all you'll find I'm never gonna dance again Guilty feet have got no rhythm Though it's easy to pretend I know you're not a fool Should've known better than to cheat a friend And waste this chance that I've been given So I'm never gonna dance again The way I danced with you Never without your love Tonight the music seems so loud I wish that we could lose this crowd Maybe it's better this way We'd hurt each other with the things we'd want to say We could have been so good together We could have lived this dance forever But no one's gonna dance with me Please stay And I'm never gonna dance again Guilty feet have got no rhythm Though it's easy to pretend I know you're not a fool Should've known better than to cheat a friend And waste the chance that I've been given So I'm never gonna dance again

The way I danced with you (Now that you're gone) Now that you're gone (Now that you're gone) What I did's so wrong That you had to leave me alone

12. "Wake Me Up Before You Go-Go", Wham! You put the boom-boom into my heart You send my soul sky high when your lovin' starts Jitterbug into my brain Goes a bang-bang-bang 'til my feet do the same But something's bugging you Something ain't right My best friend told me what you did last night Left me sleepin' in my bed I was dreaming, but I should have been with you instead. Wake me up before you go-go Don't leave me hanging on like a yo-yo Wake me up before you go-go I don't want to miss it when you hit that high Wake me up before you go-go 'Cause I'm not plannin' on going solo Wake me up before you go-go Take me dancing tonight I wanna hit that high (yeah, yeah) You take the grey skies out of my way You make the sun shine brighter than Doris Day Turned a bright spark into a flame My beats per minute never been the same 'Cause you're my lady, I'm your fool It makes me crazy when you act so cruel Come on, baby, let's not fight We'll go dancing, everything will be all right Wake me up before you go-go Don't leave me hanging on like a yo-yo Wake me up before you go-go I don't want to miss it when you hit that high Wake me up before you go-go 'Cause I'm not plannin" on going solo

Wake me up before you go-go Take me dancing tonight I wanna hit that high (yeah, yeah, baby) Cuddle up, baby, move in tight We'll go dancing tomorrow night It's cold out there, but it's warm in bed They can dance, we'll stay home instead Wake me up before you go-go Don't leave me hanging on like a vo-vo Wake me up before you go-go I don't want to miss it when you hit that high Wake me up before you go-go 'Cause I'm not plannin' on going solo Wake me up before you go-go Take me dancing tonight Wake me up before you go-go, don't you dare to leave me hanging on like a yo-yo Take me dancing (Boom-boom-boom)

13. "Take On Me", A-ha Talking away I don't know what I'm to say I'll say it anyway Today's another day to find you Shying away I'll be coming for your love, OK? Take on me (take on me), Take me on (take on me) I'll be gone In a day or two So needless to say I'm odds and ends But I'm me stumbling away Slowly learning that life is OK. Say after me, "It's no better to be safe than sorry." Take on me (take on me), Take me on (take on me) I'll be gone In a day or two

Oh, things that you say, yeah— Is it life or just to play my worries away? You're all the things I've got to remember You're shying away I'll be coming for you anyway Take on me (take on me), Take me on (take on me) I'll be gone In a day Take on me (take on me), Take me on (take on me) I'll be gone In a day

14. "Kiss", Prince and The Revolution You don't have to be beautiful To turn me on I just need your body baby From dusk till dawn You don't need experience To turn me out You just leave it all up to me I'm gonna show you what it's all about You don't have to be rich To be my girl You don't have to be cool To rule my world Ain't no particular sign I'm more compatible with I just want your extra time and your Kiss. Oh oh You got to not talk dirty, baby If you want to impress me You can't be to flirty, mama I know how to undress me, yeah I want to be your fantasy Maybe you could be mine You just leave it all up to me

We could have a good time Don't have to be rich To be my girl Don't have to be cool To rule my world Ain't no particular sign I'm more compatible with I just want your extra time and your Kiss Yes, oh oh oh Ah I think I want to dance, uhh, ooohh Gotta, gotta, oh Little girl Wendy's parade Gotta, gotta, gotta Women not girls rule my world I said they rule my world Act your age, mama (not your shoe size) Not your shoe size Maybe we could do the twirl You don't have to watch Dynasty To have an attitude You just leave it all up to me My love will be your food Yeah You don't have to be rich To be my girl You don't have to be cool To rule my world Ain't no particular sign I'm more compatible with I just want your extra time and your Kiss

15. "Sara", StarshipGo now, don't look back, we've drawn the lineMove on, it's no good to go back in timeI'll never find another girl like you, for happy endings it takes twoWe're fire and ice, the dream won't come true

Sara, Sara, storms are brewin' in your eyes Sara, Sara, no time is a good time for goodbyes Danger in the game when the stakes are high Branded, my heart was branded while my senses stood by I'll never find another girl like you, for happy endings it takes two We're fire and ice, the dream won't come true Sara, Sara, storms are brewin' in your eyes Sara, Sara, no time is a good time, oh Sara, Sara, storms are brewin' in your eyes Sara, Sara, no time is a good time for goodbyes ('cause Sara) Loved me like no one has ever loved me before (And Sara) Hurt me, no one could ever hurt me more (And Sara) Sara, nobody loved me anymore I'll never find another girl like you We're fire and ice, the dream won't come true Sara, Sara, no time is a good time, oh Sara, Sara, storms are brewin' in your eyes Sara, Sara, no time is a good time, no Ooh Sara, why did it, why did it, why did it all fall apart

16. "Something About You", Level 42

Ooh...

Ooh...

How - how can it be that a love Carved out of caring fashioned by fate Could suffer so hard From the games played much too often But making mistakes is a part Of life's imperfections born of the years Is it so wrong to be human after all Drawn into the stream Of undefined illusion Those diamond dreams They can't disguise the truth That there is something about you Baby so right I wouldn't be without you baby tonight If ever our love was concealed No one can say that we didn't feel A million things

And a perfect dream of life Gone, fragile but free We remain tender together If not so in love It's not so wrong We're only human after all These changing years They add to your confusion Oh and you need to hear the time That told the truth That there is something about you Baby so right Don't want to be without you Baby tonight Because there's something about you Baby so right I couldn't live without you Baby tonight Ooh... Ooh... And there's something about you I couldn't live without you Tonight

17. "If You Leave", Orchestral Manoeuvres in the Dark
If you leave, don't leave now
Please don't take my heart away
Promise me just one more night
Then we'll go our separate ways
We've always had time on our sides
But now it's fading fast
Every second
Every
moment
We've got to, we've gotta make it last
I touch you once I touch you twice
I won't let go at any price I need you now like I needed you then
You always said we'd still be friends someday
If you leave I won't cry I won't waste one single day

But if you leave, don't look back I'll be running the other way Seven years went under the bridge Like time was standing still Heaven knows what happens now You've got to, you've gotta say you will I touch you once, I touch you twice I won't let go at any price I need you now like I need you then You always said we'd meet again I touch you once I touch you twice I won't let go at any price I need you now like I need you then You always said we'd still be friends I touch you once I touch you twice I won't let go at any price I need you now like I need you then You always said we'd meet again someday If you leave If you leave If you leave Don't look back Don't look back

18. "I Want Your Sex", George Michael There's things that you guess And things that you know There's boys you can trust And girls that you don't There's little things you hide And little things that you show Sometimes you think you're gonna get it But you don't and that's just the way it goes I swear I won't tease you Won't tell you no lies I don't need no bite Just look in my eyes I've waited so long baby

Now that we're friends Every man's got his patience And here's where mine ends I want your sex I want you I want your sex It's playing on my mind It's dancing on my soul It's taken so much time So why don't you just let me go I'd really like to try Oh I'd really love to know When you tell me you're gonna regret it Then I tell you that I love you but you still say no! I swear I won't tease you Won't tell you no lies I don't need no bite Just look in my eyes I've waited so long baby Out in the cold I want your sex I want your love I want your.. Sex It's natural It's chemical (let's do it) It's logical Habitual (can we do it?) It's sensual But most of all... Sex is something we should do Sex is something for me and you Sex is natural - sex is good Not everybody does it But everybody should Sex is natural - sex is fun Sex is best when it's... One on one One on one I'm not your father I'm not your brother

Talk to your sister I am a lover C-c-c-come on What's your definition of dirty baby

19. "U Got The Look", Prince Here we are folks The dream we all dream off Boy versus girl in the World Series of love Tell me, have U got the look? U walked in, I woke up I never seen a pretty girl Look so tough, baby U got that look Color U peach and black Color me takin' aback Crucial, I think I wantcha You've got the look, you've got the hook U sho'nuf do be cookin' in my book Your face is jammin' Your body's heck-a-slammin' If love is good, let's get 2 rammin' U got the look, U got the look Look here U got the look (U got the look) U must'a took (U must'a took) A whole hour just 2 make up your face, baby Closin' time, ugly lights, everybody's inspected (everybody's inspected) But U are a natural beauty unaffected (unaffected) Did I say an hour? My face is red, I stand corrected (I stand corrected) You've got the look, you've got the hook U sho'nuf do be cookin' in my book Your face is jammin' Your body's heck-a-slammin' If love is good, let's get 2 rammin' U got the look, U got the look (there's no girl to do)

Well here we are, ladies and gentlemen The dream we all dream of (oh, please!) Boy versus girl in the world series of love Slammin' U walked in (I walked in) I woke up (U woke up) I never seen a pretty girl look so tough' baby (baby) U got that look, yes U do (yes U do) Color U peach and black Color me takin' aback, baby Crucial. I think I wantcha You've got the look, you've got the hook U sho'nuf do be cookin' in my book Your face is jammin' Your body's heck-a-slammin' If your love is good, let's get 2 rammin' (now) U got the look, U got the look Here we are folks The dream we all dream of U got the look 20. "Don't You (Forget About Me)", Simple Minds Hey, hey, hey ,hey Ohhh Won't you come see about me? I'll be alone, dancing you know it baby Tell me your troubles and doubts Giving me everything inside and out and Love's strange so real in the dark Think of the tender things that we were working on

Slow change may pull us apart

When the light gets into your heart, baby

Don't You Forget About Me

Don't Don't Don't Don't

Don't You Forget About Me

Will you stand above me?

Look my way, never love me Rain keeps falling, rain keeps falling Down, down, down Will you recognize me? Call my name or walk on by Rain keeps falling, rain keeps falling Down, down, down, down Hey, hey, hey, hey Ohhhh..... Don't you try to pretend It's my feeling we'll win in the end I won't harm you or touch your defenses Vanity and security Don't you forget about me I'll be alone, dancing you know it baby Going to take you apart I'll put us back together at heart, baby Don't You Forget About Me Don't Don't Don't Don't Don't You Forget About Me As you walk on by Will you call my name? As you walk on by Will you call my name? When you walk away Or will you walk away? Will you walk on by? Come on - call my name Will you call my name? I say: La la la...

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11. "Call Me Maybe", Carly Rae JepsenI threw a wish in the well,Don't ask me, I'll never tellI looked to you as it fell,And now you're in my wayI'd trade my soul for a wish,Pennies and dimes for a kiss

I wasn't looking for this, But now you're in my way Your stare was holdin', Ripped jeans, skin was showin' Hot night, wind was blowin' Where do you think you're going, baby? Hey, I just met you, And this is crazy, But here's my number, So call me, maybe! It's hard to look right At you baby, But here's my number, So call me, maybe! Hey, I just met you, And this is crazy, But here's my number, So call me, maybe! And all the other boys, Try to chase me, But here's my number, So call me, maybe! You took your time with the call, I took no time with the fall You gave me nothing at all, But still, you're in my way I beg, and borrow and steal At first sight and it's real I didn't know I would feel it, But it's in my way Your stare was holdin', Ripped jeans, skin was showin' Hot night, wind was blowin' Where you think you're going, baby? Hey, I just met you, And this is crazy, But here's my number, So call me, maybe! It's hard to look right At you baby,

But here's my number, So call me, maybe! Hey, I just met you, And this is crazy, But here's my number, So call me, maybe! And all the other boys,

12. "Lights", Ellie Goulding

I had a way then losing it all on my own I had a heart then but the queen has been overthrown And I'm not sleeping now, the dark is too hard to beat And I'm not keeping now the strength I need to push me You show the lights that stop me turn to stone You shine it when I'm alone And so I tell myself that I'll be strong And dreaming when they're gone 'Cause they're calling, calling, calling me home Calling, calling, calling home You show the lights that stop me turn to stone You shine it when I'm alone home Voices I play within my head Touch my own skin and hope that I'm still breathing And I think back to when my brother and my sister slept In an unknown place the only time I feel safe You show the lights that stop me turn to stone You shine it when I'm alone And so I tell myself that I'll be strong And dreaming when they're gone 'Cause they're calling, calling, calling me home Calling, calling, calling home You show the lights that stop me turn to stone You shine it when I'm alone home Yeah, hee Light, lights, lights, lights Light, lights, lights, lights (Home, home) Light, lights, lights, lights Light, lights You show the lights that stop me turn to stone

You shine it when I'm alone And so I tell myself that I'll be strong And dreaming when they're gone 'Cause they're calling, calling, calling me home Calling, calling, calling home You show the lights that stop me turn to stone You shine it when I'm alone home Home, home Light, lights, lights, lights Light, lights, lights, lights Home, home Light, lights, lights, lights Light, lights, lights, lights Home, home Light, lights, lights, lights Light, lights, lights, lights Home, home Light, lights, lights, lights Light, lights, lights, lights 13. "Set Fire To The Rain", Adele I let it fall, my heart, And as it fell you rose to claim it It was dark and I was over Until you kissed my lips and you saved me My hands, they're strong But my knees were far too weak, To stand in your arms Without falling to your feet But there's a side to you That I never knew, never knew. All the things you'd say They were never true, never true, And the games you play You would always win, always win. But I set fire to the rain, Watched it pour as I touched your face, Well, it burned while I cried 'Cause I heard it screaming out your name, your name!

When I lay with you

I could stay there Close my eyes Feel you here forever You and me together Nothing gets better 'Cause there's a side to you That I never knew, never knew, All the things you'd say, They were never true, never true, And the games you'd play You would always win, always win. But I set fire to the rain, Watched it pour as I touched your face, Well, it burned while I cried 'Cause I heard it screaming out your name, your name! I set fire to the rain And I threw us into the flames When it fell, something died 'Cause I knew that that was the last time, the last time! Sometimes I wake up by the door, That heart you caught must be waiting for you Even now when we're already over I can't help myself from looking for you. I set fire to the rain, Watched it pour as I touched your face, Well, it burned while I cried 'Cause I heard it screaming out your name, your name I set fire to the rain, And I threw us into the flames When it fell, something died 'Cause I knew that that was the last time, the last time, ohhhh! Oh noooo Let it burn, oh 14. "Wide Awake", Katy Perry I'm wide awake

I'm wide awake I'm wide awake I'm wide awake Yeah, I was in the dark

I was falling hard With an open heart (I'm wide awake) How did I read the stars so wrong? (I'm wide awake) And now it's clear to me That everything you see Ain't always what it seems (I'm wide awake) Yeah, I was dreaming for so long I wish I knew then What I know now Wouldn't dive in Wouldn't bow down Gravity hurts You made it so sweet 'Til I woke up on On the concrete Falling from cloud nine Crashing from the high I'm letting go tonight Yeah, I'm falling from cloud nine I'm wide awake Not losing any sleep I picked up every piece And landed on my feet I'm wide awake Need nothing to complete myself, no I'm wide awake Yeah, I am born again Out of the lion's den I don't have to pretend And it's too late The story's over now, the end I wish I knew then What I know now Wouldn't dive in Wouldn't bow down Gravity hurts You made it so sweet

'Til I woke up on
On the concrete
Falling from cloud nine (it was out of the blue)
I'm crashing from the high
I'm letting go tonight (yeah, I'm letting you go)
I'm falling from cloud nine
(I'm wide awake)
Thunder rumbling
Castles crumbling
(I'm wide awake)

15. "Wrecking Ball", Miley Cyrus We clawed, we chained our hearts in vain We jumped never asking why We kissed, I fell under your spell. A love no one could deny Don't you ever say I just walked away I will always want you I can't live a lie, running for my life I will always want you I came in like a wrecking ball I never hit so hard in love All I wanted was to break your walls All you ever did was wreck me Yeah, you, you wreck me I put you high up in the sky And now, you're not coming down It slowly turned, you let me burn And now, we're ashes on the ground Don't you ever say I just walked away I will always want you I can't live a lie, running for my life I will always want you I came in like a wrecking ball I never hit so hard in love All I wanted was to break your walls All you ever did was wreck me I came in like a wrecking ball Yeah, I just closed my eyes and swung

Left me crashing in a blazing fall All you ever did was wreck me Yeah, you, you wreck me I never meant to start a war I just wanted you to let me in And instead of using force I guess I should've let you win I never meant to start a war I just wanted you to let me in I guess I should've let you win Don't you ever say I just walked away I will always want you I came in like a wrecking ball I never hit so hard in love All I wanted was to break your walls All you ever did was wreck me I came in like a wrecking ball Yeah, I just closed my eyes and swung Left me crashing in a blazing fall All you ever did was wreck me Yeah, you, you wreck me Yeah, you, you wreck me

16. "Diamonds", Rihanna Shine bright like a diamond Shine bright like a diamond Find light in the beautiful sea I choose to be happy You and I, you and I We're like diamonds in the sky You're a shooting star I see A vision of ecstasy When you hold me, I'm alive We're like diamonds in the sky I knew that we'd become one right away Oh, right away At first sight I felt the energy of sun rays I saw the life inside your eyes So shine bright tonight, you and I We're beautiful like diamonds in the sky

Eye to eye, so alive We're beautiful like diamonds in the sky Shine bright like a diamond Shine bright like a diamond Shine bright like a diamond We're beautiful like diamonds in the sky Shine bright like a diamond Shine bright like a diamond Shine bright like a diamond We're beautiful like diamonds in the sky Palms rise to the universe As we moonshine and molly Feel the warmth, we'll never die We're like diamonds in the sky You're a shooting star I see A vision of ecstasy When you hold me, I'm alive We're like diamonds in the sky At first sight I felt the energy of sun rays I saw the life inside your eyes So shine bright tonight, you and I We're beautiful like diamonds in the sky Eye to eye, so alive We're beautiful like diamonds in the sky Shine bright like a diamond Shine bright like a diamond Shine bright like a diamond We're beautiful like diamonds in the sky Shine bright like a diamond Shine bright like a diamond Shine bright like a diamond We're beautiful like diamonds in the sky Shine bright like a diamond Shine bright like a diamond Shine bright like a diamond So shine bright tonight, you and I

17. "Come And Get It", Selena Gomez When you're ready come and get it Na When you're ready come and get it Na When you're ready When you're ready When you're ready come and get it Na You ain't gotta worry, it's an open invitation I'll be sittin' right here, real patient All day, all night, I'll be waitin' standby Can't stop because I love it, hate the way I love you All day, all night, maybe I'm addicted for life, no lie. I'm not too shy to show I love you, I got no regrets. I love you much, too much to hide you, this love ain't finished yet. This love ain't finished yet... So baby whenever you're ready... When you're ready come and get it Na When you're ready come and get it Na When you're ready When you're ready When you're ready come and get it Na You got the kind of love that I want, let me get that. (Let me get that yeah) And baby once I get it, I'm yours no take backs. Gon' love you for life, I ain't leaving your side

Even if you knock it, ain't no way to stop it Forever you're mine, baby I'm addicted, no lie, no lie. I'm not too shy to show I love you, I got no regrets. So baby whenever you're ready... When you're ready come and get it Na When you're ready come and get it Na When you're ready When you're ready When you're ready come and get it Na This love will be the death of me But I know I'll die happily I'll know, I'll know, I'll know Because you love me so ... yeah! When you're ready come and get it Na When you're ready come and get it Na When you're ready When you're ready When you're ready come and get it (When you're ready come and get it) Na na

18. "All About That Bass", Meghan Trainor" Because you know I'm all about that bass

'Bout that bass, no treble I'm all about that bass 'Bout that bass, no treble I'm all about that bass 'Bout that bass, no treble I'm all about that bass 'Bout that bass... bass... bass... bass Yeah, it's pretty clear, I ain't no size two But I can shake it, shake it, like I'm supposed to do 'Cause I got that boom boom that all the boys chase And all the right junk in all the right places I see the magazine workin' that Photoshop We know that shit ain't real, come on now, make it stop If you got beauty, beauty, just raise 'em up 'Cause every inch of you is perfect from the bottomto the top Yeah, my mama she told me "don't worry about your size" (Shoo wop wop, sha-ooh wop wop) She says, "Boys like a little more booty to hold at night" (That booty, uh, that booty booty) You know I won't be no stick figure silicone Barbie doll So if that what you're into, then go 'head and move along Because you know I'm all about that bass 'Bout that bass, no treble I'm all about that bass 'Bout that bass, no treble I'm all about that bass 'Bout that bass, no treble I'm all about that bass 'Bout that bass... Hey! I'm bringing booty back Go 'head and tell them skinny bitches that No, I'm just playing, I know you think you're fat But I'm here to tell you... Every inch of you is perfect from the bottom to the top Yeah my mama she told me, "don't worry about your size" (Shoo wop wop, sha-ooh wop wop) She says, "Boys like a little more booty to hold at night" (That booty booty, uh, that booty booty) You know I won't be no stick figure, silicone Barbie doll So if that's what you're into, then go 'head and move along

Because you know I'm all about that bass 'Bout that bass, no treble I'm all about that bass 'Bout that bass, no treble I'm all about that bass 'Bout that bass, no treble I'm all about that bass 'Bout that bass... You know I'm all about that bass 'Bout that bass, no treble I said I'm all about that bass 'Bout that bass, no treble I'm all about that bass 'Bout that bass, no treble I'm all about that bass 'Bout that bass...

19. "Bang Bang", Jessie J ft. Ariana Grande and Iggy Azalea She got a body like an hour glass But I can give it to you all the time She got a booty like a Cadillac But I can send you into overdrive (oh) (You've been waiting for that... Step on up swing your bat) See anybody could be bad to you, You need a good girl to blow your mind, yeah Bang bang into the room (I know ya want it) Bang bang all over you (I'll let ya have it) Wait a minute lemme take you there (ah) Wait a minute till ya (ah) Bang bang there goes your heart (I know ya want it) Back, back seat of my car (I'll let ya have it) Wait a minute lemme take you there (ah) Wait a minute till ya (ah) She might've let you hold her hand in school But I'm a show you how to graduate No, I don't need to hear you talk the talk Just come and show me what your momma gave (oh, yeah) (Okay you've got a very big shhh, Mouth but don't say a thing)

See anybody could be good to you, You need a bad girl to blow your mind Bang bang into the room (I know ya want it) Bang bang all over you (I'll let ya have it) Wait a minute lemme take you there (ah) Wait a minute till ya (ah) Bang bang there goes your heart (I know ya want it) Back, back seat of my car (I'll let ya have it) Wait a minute lemme take you there (ah) Wait a minute till ya (ah) (You know what, girls? Let me show you how to do.) It's Myx Moscato It's friends in the bottle It's Nicki full throttle It's all, all Swimming in the grotto We winning in the lotto We dipping in the pot of blue pho-to Kidding so good This drippin' on wood Get a ride in the engine that could go Batman Robin it bang, bang, cocking it Queen Nicki dominate, prominate It's me, Jessie, and Ari If they test me they sorry Riders umph like Harley Then pull off in this Ferrari If he hangin' we bangin' Phone rangin', he slangin' It ain't karaoke night but get the mic 'cause I'm s inging (uh)

20. "Habits (Stay High)", Tove Lo I eat my dinner in my bathtub Then I go to sex clubs Watching freaky people gettin' it on It doesn't make me nervous If anything I'm restless Yeah, I've been around and I've seen it all I get home, I got the munchies Binge on all my Twinkies Throw up in the tub Then I go to sleep And I drank up all my money Dazed and kinda lonely You're gone and I gotta stay High all the time To keep you off my mind Ooh-ooh, ooh-ooh High all the time To keep you off my mind Ooh-ooh, ooh-ooh Spend my days locked in a haze Trying to forget you babe I fall back down Gotta stay high all my life To forget I'm missing you Ooh-ooh, ooh-ooh Pick up daddies at the playground How I spend my day time Loosen up the frown, Make them feel alive Oh, make it fast and greasy I'm numb and way too easy You're gone and I gotta stay High all the time To keep you off my mind Ooh-ooh, ooh-ooh High all the time To keep you off my mind Ooh-ooh, ooh-ooh Spend my days locked in a haze Trying to forget you babe I fall back down Gotta stay high all my life To forget I'm missing you Ooh-ooh, ooh-ooh Staying in my play pretend Where the fun ain't got no end

Ooh Can't go home alone again Need someone to numb the pain Ooh Staying in my play pretend Where the fun ain't got no end Ooh Can't go home alone again Need someone to numb the pain You're gone and I gotta stay High all the time To keep you off my mind Ooh-ooh, ooh-ooh

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11. "Glad You Came", The Wanted The sun goes down The stars come out And all that counts Is here and now My universe will never be the same I'm glad you came You cast a spell on me, spell on me You hit me like the sky fell on me, fell on me And I decided you look well on me, well on me So let's go somewhere no one else can see, you and me Turn the lights out now Now I'll take you by the hand Hand you another drink Drink it if you can Can you spend a little time, Time is slipping away, Away from us so stay, Stay with me I can make, Make you glad you came The sun goes down The stars come out And all that counts Is here and now

My universe will never be the same I'm glad you came I'm glad you came You cast a spell on me, spell on me You hit me like the sky fell on me, fell on me And I decided you look well on me, well on me So let's go somewhere no one else can see, you and me Turn the lights out now Now I'll take you by the hand Hand you another drink Drink it if you can Can you spend a little time, Time is slipping away, Away from us so stay, Stay with me I can make, Make you glad you came The sun goes down The stars come out And all that counts Is here and now My universe will never be the same I'm glad you came I'm glad you came I'm glad you came So glad you came I'm glad you came I'm glad you came The sun goes down The stars come out And all that counts Is here and now My universe will never be the same I'm glad you came I'm glad you came 12. "What Makes You Beautiful", One Direction

You're insecure, Don't know what for, You're turning heads when you walk through the door Don't need make-up, To cover up, Being the way that you are is enough, Everyone else in the room can see it, Everyone else but you, Baby you light up my world like nobody else, The way that you flip your hair gets me overwhelmed But when you smile at the ground it ain't hard to tell, You don't know, Oh, oh, You don't know you're beautiful, If only you saw what I can see, You'd understand why I want you so desperately, Right now I'm looking at you and I can't believe, You don't know, Oh, oh, You don't know you're beautiful, Oh, oh, That's what makes you beautiful So c-come on. You got it wrong. To prove I'm right I put it in a song. I don't know why You're being shy, And turn away when I look into your eye-eye-eyes, Everyone else in the room can see it, Everyone else but you, Baby you light up my world like nobody else, The way that you flip your hair gets me overwhelmed But when you smile at the ground it ain't hard to tell, You don't know, Oh oh, You don't know you're beautiful, If only you saw what I can see, You'll understand why I want you so desperately, Right now I'm looking at you and I can't believe, You don't know, Oh oh, You don't know you're beautiful, Oh oh,

That's what makes you beautiful Na 13. "One More Night", Maroon 5 You and I go hard at each other like we're going to war. You and I go rough, we keep throwing things and slamming the door. You and I get so damn dysfunctional, we stopped keeping score. You and I get sick, yeah, I know that we can't do this no more. Yeah, but baby there you go again, there you go again, making me love you. Yeah, I stopped using my head, using my head, let it all go. Got you stuck on my body, on my body, like a tattoo And now I'm feeling stupid, feeling stupid, crawling back to you. So I cross my heart and I hope to die That I'll only stay with you one more night And I know I said it a million times But I'll only stay with you one more night Try to tell you "no" but my body keeps on telling you "yes". Try to tell you "stop", but your lipstick got me so out of breath. I'll be waking up in the morning, probably hating myself. And I'll be waking up, feeling satisfied but guilty as hell. Yeah, but baby there you go again, there you go again, making me love you. (Making me love you) Yeah, I stopped using my head, using my head, let it all go. (I let it all go) Got you stuck on my body, on my body, like a tattoo (Like a tattoo, yeah) And now I'm feeling stupid, feeling stupid, crawling back to you. So I cross my heart and I hope to die (Yeah) That I'll only stay with you one more night (Oh) And I know I said it a million times (Yeah) But I'll only stay with you one more night (Yeah) Yeah, baby, give me one more night Yeah, baby, give me one more night (whoa, yeah) Yeah, baby, give me one more night (oh, yeah, yeah) Yeah, but baby there you go again, there you go aga in making me love you.

Yeah, I stopped using my head, using my head, let it all go. Got you stuck on my body, on my body like a tattoo. Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah So I cross my heart and I hope to die (Oh oh oh oh, oh oh oh oh) That I'll only stay with you one more night (Oh oh oh oh oh oh) And I know I said it a million times (Oh, I said it a million times) But I'll only stay with you one more night (Yeah, baby give me one more night) So I cross my heart and I hope to die (yeah, yeah) That I'll only stay with you one more night (yeah, yeah) And I know I said it a million times (yeah, yeah) But I'll only stay with you one more night (yeah, yeah) I don't know, whatever.

14. "When I Was Your Man", Bruno Mars Same bed but it feels just a little bit bigger now Our song on the radio but it don't sound the same When our friends talk about you, all it does is just tear me down 'Cause my heart breaks a little when I hear your name It all just sounds like oooooh... Mmm, too young, too dumb to realize That I should've bought you flowers And held your hand Should've gave you all my hours When I had the chance Take you to every party 'Cause all you wanted to do was dance Now my baby's dancing But she's dancing with another man My pride, my ego, my needs, and my selfish ways Caused a good strong woman like you to walk out my life Now I never, never get to clean up the mess I made, ohh And it haunts me every time I close my eyes It all just sounds like oooooh... Mmm, too young, too dumb to realize That I should've bought you flowers

And held your hand Should've gave you all my hours When I had the chance Take you to every party 'Cause all you wanted to do was dance Now my baby's dancing But she's dancing with another man Although it hurts I'll be the first to say that I was wrong Oh, I know I'm probably much too late To try and apologize for my mistakes But I just want you to know I hope he buys you flowers I hope he holds your hand Give you all his hours When he has the chance Take you to every party 'Cause I remember how much you loved to dance Do all the things I should have done When I was your man Do all the things I should have done When I was your man

15. "Safe and Sound", Capital Cities I could lift you up I could show you what you wanna see And take you where you wanna be You could be my luck Even if the sky is falling down I know that we'll be safe and sound We're safe and sound I could fill your cup You know my river won't evaporate This world we still appreciate You could be my luck Even in a hurricane of frowns I know that we'll be safe and sound Safe and sound We're safe and sound Safe and sound

We're safe and sound Hold your ground We're safe and sound Safe and sound I could show you love In a tidal wave of mystery You'll still be standing next to me You could be my luck Even if we're six feet underground I know that we'll be safe and sound We're safe and sound Safe and sound Safe and sound Hold your ground Safe and sound I could lift you up I could show you what you wanna see And take you where you wanna be You could be my luck Even if the sky is falling down I know that we'll be safe and sound I could lift you up I could show you what you wanna see And take you where you wanna be You could be my luck Even if the sky is falling down I know that we'll be safe and sound We're safe and sound We're safe and sound We're safe and sound We're safe and sound Safe and sound We're safe and sound Safe and sound We're safe and sound

16. "Scream", UsherUsher, babyYeah, yeah, we did it againAnd this time I'mma make you scream

Usher! Yeah, man... I see you over there, so hypnotic Thinking 'bout what I'd do to that body I'd get you like Ooh baby baby, ooh baby baby, Ah-ooh baby baby ooh baby baby Got no drink in my hand But I'm wasted Getting drunk of the thought of you naked I'd get you like Ooh baby baby, ooh baby baby, Ah-ooh baby baby ooh baby baby And I've tried to fight it, to fight it But you're so magnetic, magnetic Got one life, just live it, just live it Now relax, and get on your back If you wanna scream, yeah Let me know and I'll take you there Get you going like Ah-ooh baby baby ooh baby baby Ah-ooh baby baby ooh baby If you wanna turn right Hope you're ready to go all night Get you going like Ah-ooh baby baby ooh baby baby Ah-ooh baby baby ooh baby If you wanna scream Yeah, come on Kill the lights, shut 'em off You're electric Devil eyes telling me, "Come and get it." I'll have you like Ooh baby baby ooh baby baby Ah-ooh baby baby ooh baby baby Girl tonight you're the prey I'm the hunter Take you here, take you there, take you under Imagine me whispering in your ear That I wanna take off all your clothes and put some thing on ya

And I've tried to fight it, to fight it But you're so magnetic, magnetic Got one life, just live it, just live it Now relax, and get on your back If you wanna scream, yeah Let me know and I'll take you there Get you going like Ah-ooh baby baby ooh baby baby Ah-ooh baby baby ooh baby If you wanna turn right Hope you're ready to go all night Get you going like Ah-ooh baby baby ooh baby baby Yeah, ah-ooh baby baby ooh baby If you wanna scream...

17. "Am I Wrong", Nico and Vinz Oooooh Oooooh Am I wrong for thinking out the box from where I stay? Am I wrong for saying that I choose another way? I ain't tryna do what everybody else doing Just cause everybody doing what they all do If one thing I know, I'll fall but I'll grow I'm walking down this road of mine, this road that I call home So am I wrong For thinking that we could be something for real? Now am I wrong For trying to reach the things that I can't see? But that's just how I feel (ooh, ooh, ooh, ooh ooh) That's just how I feel (ooh, ooh, ooh, ooh ooh) That's just how I feel Trying to reach the things that I can't see (ooh, ooh, ooh, ooh ooh) Am I tripping for having a vision? My prediction: I'm a be on top of the world Walk to walk and don't look back, always do what you decide Don't let them control your life, that's just how I feel Fight for yours and don't let go, don't let them compare you, no Don't worry, you're not alone, that's just how we feel

Am I wrong (am I wrong) For thinking that we could be something for real? (Oh yeah yeah yeah oh) Now am I wrong (am I wrong) For trying to reach the things that I can't see? (Oh yeah yeah yeah yeah) But that's just how I feel, That's just how I feel That's just how I feel Trying to reach the things that I can't see If you tell me I'm wrong, wrong I don't wanna be right, right If you tell me I'm wrong, wrong I don't wanna be right If you tell me I'm wrong, wrong I don't wanna be right Am I wrong For thinking that we could be something for real? Now am I wrong For trying to reach the things that I can't see? But that's just how I feel, (ooh, ooh, ooh, ooh ooh) That's just how I feel (ooh, ooh, ooh, ooh ooh) That's just how I feel Trying to reach the things that I can't see So am I wrong (am I wrong) For thinking that we could be something for real? (Oh yeah yeah yeah oh) Now am I wrong (am I wrong) For trying to reach the things that I can't see? (Oh yeah yeah yeah yeah) But that's just how I feel, That's just how I feel That's just how I feel 18. "Latch", Disclosure ft. Sam Smith Never Never

Never

You lift my heart up when the rest of me is down (never)

You, you enchant me even when you're not around (never)

If there are boundaries, I will try to knock them down (never) I'm latching on, babe, now I know what I have found (never) I feel we're close enough I wanna lock in your love I think we're close enough Could I lock in your love, baby? Now I've got you in my space I won't let go of you (never) Got you shackled in my embrace I'm latching on to you (never) Now I've got you in my space I won't let go of you (never) Got you shackled in my embrace I'm latching on to you (never) I'm so encaptured, got me wrapped up in your touch (never) Feel so enamored, hold me tight within your clutch (never) How do you do it, you got me losing every breath (never) What did you give me to make my heart bleed out my chest (never)? I feel we're close enough I wanna lock in your love I think we're close enough Could I lock in your love, baby? I feel we're close enough I wanna lock in your love I think we're close enough Could I lock in your love, baby? Now I've got you in my space I won't let go of you (never) Got you shackled in my embrace I'm latching on to you (never) Now I've got you in my space I won't let go of you (never) Got you shackled in my embrace I'm latching on to you (never) Latching on to you (I'm latching on to you) I won't let go of you (never) (No, I won't let go) Latching on to you (How you wanna get down) I won't let go of you (I won't let go, I won't let go) (I won't let go, I won't let go)

# Never Never

19. "Not A Bad Thing", Justin Timberlake Said all I want from you is to see you tomorrow And every tomorrow, maybe you'll let me borrow yourheart And is it too much to ask for every Sunday And while we're at it, throw in every other day to start I know people make promises all the time Then they turn right around and break them When someone cuts your heart open with a knife, now vou're bleeding But I could be that guy to heal it over time And I won't stop until you believe it 'Cause baby you're worth it So don't act like it's a bad thing to fall in love with me 'Cause you might fuck around to find your dreams come true, with me Spent all your time and your money just to find out that my love was free So don't act like it's a bad thing to fall in love with me, me It's not a bad thing to fall in love with me, me Now how about I'd be the last voice you hear tonight? And every other night for the rest of the nights that there are Every morning I just wanna see you staring back at me 'Cause I know that's a good place to start I know people make promises all the time Then they turn right around and break them When someone cuts your heart open with a knife, now you're bleeding Don't you know that I could be that guy to heal it over time And I won't stop until you believe it 'Cause baby you're worth it So don't act like it's a bad thing to fall in love with me 'Cause you might fuck around to find your dreams come true, with me Spent all your time and your money just to find out that my love was free So don't act like it's a bad thing to fall in love with me, me It's not a bad thing to fall in love with me, me Not such a bad thing to fall in love with me (Not such a bad thing to fall in love with me) No I won't fill your mind With broken promises and wasted time

And if you fall, you'll always land right in these arms These arms of mine Don't act like it's a bad thing to fall in love with me 'Cause you might fuck around to find your dreams come true, with me Spent all your time and your money just to find out that my love was free

20. "Hold On, We're Going Home", Drake I got my eyes on you You're everything that I see I want your high love and emotion endlessly I can't get over you You left your mark on me I want your high love and emotion endlessly Cause you're a good girl and you know it You act so different around me Cause you're a good girl and you know it I know exactly who you could be Just hold on we're going home Just hold on we're going home It's hard to do these things alone Just hold on we're going home (home) I got my eyes on you You're everything that I see I want your high love and emotion endlessly I can't get over you You left your mark on me I want your high love and emotion endlessly Cause you're a good girl and you know it (oh yeah) You act so different around me Cause you're a good girl and you know it I know exactly who you could be So just hold on we're going home (going home) Just hold on we're going home (going home) It's hard to do these things alone (things alone) Just hold on we're going home (going home, going home) You're the girl You're the one Gave you everything I love I think there's something, baby I think there's something, baby

You're the girl You're the one Gave you everything I love I think there's something, baby I think there's something, baby Cause you're a good girl and you know it You act so different around me Cause you're a good girl and you know it I know exactly who you could be Oh just hold on we're going home (going home) Just hold on we're going home (going home) It's hard to do these things alone (things alone) Just hold on we're going home (going home, going home) Hold on

## Rock | Female Artists | 1958-1960

10. "Who's Sorry Now", Connie Francis Who's sorry now Who's sorry now Who's heart is aching for breaking each vow Who's sad and blue Who's crying too Just like I cried over you Right to the end Just like a friend I tried to warn you somehow You had your way Now you must pay I'm glad that you're sorry now Right to the end Just like a friend I tried to warn you somehow You had your way Now you must pay I'm glad that you're sorry now

11. "Stupid Cupid", Connie FrancisStupid Cupid you're a real mean guyI'd like to clip your wings so you can't fly

I'm in love and it's a crying shame And I know that you're the one to blame Hey hey, set me free Stupid Cupid stop picking on me I can't do my homework and I can't think straight I meet her every morning 'bout half past eight I'm acting like a lovesick fool You've even got me carrying your books to school Hey hey, set me free Stupid Cupid stop picking on me You mixed me up for good right from the very start Hey now, go play Robin Hood with somebody else's heart You got me jumping like a crazy clown And I don't feature what you're putting down Well since I kissed her loving lips of wine The thing that bothers me is that I like it fine Hey hey, set me free Stupid Cupid stop picking on me You got me jumping like a crazy clown And I don't feature what you're putting down Well since I kissed his loving lips of wine The thing that bothers me is that I like it fine Hey hey, set me free Stupid Cupid stop picking on me Hey hey, set me free Stupid Cupid stop picking on me

12. "Light of Love", Peggy Lee
I'm gonna open up all of my doors
I'm gonna open up all of my doors
I'm gonna open up all of my doors
And let the light of love come in
I'm gonna say a prayer every day
Till some happiness come my way
I'm gonna open up all of my doors
And let the light of love come in
Gonna open up the front door
The wide door, the back door, the side door
All the doors to my heart
Gonna open up the left door

The right door, the day door, the night door Now's the time to start Gonna put aside everything 'Cause I wanna hear door bells ring I'm gonna open up all of my doors And let the light of love come in Gonna open up the front door The wide door, the back door, the side door All the doors to my heart Gonna open up the left door The right door, the day door, the night door Now's the time to start I'm gonna put aside everything 'Cause I wanna hear door bells ring Gonna open up all of my doors And let the light of love come in And let the light of love come in

13. "Lipstick on Your Collar", Connie Francis (yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah) (yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah) When you left me all alone at the record hop Told me you were goin' out for a soda pop You were gone for quite a while, half an hour or more You came back and man oh man this is what I saw Lipstick on you collar, told a tale on you Lipstick on you collar, said you were untrue Bet your bottom dollar, you and I are through Cause, lipstick on you collar told a tale on you, yeah You said it belonged to me, made me stop and think Then I noticed yours was red, mine was baby pink Who walked in but Mary Jane, lipstick all a mess Were you smoochin' my best friend? Guess the answer's yes Lipstick on you collar, told a tale on you Lipstick on you collar, said you were untrue Bet your bottom dollar, you and I are through Cause, lipstick on you collar told a tale on you, boy Told a tale on you, man Told a tale on you, yeah

14. "Frankie", Connie Francis Frankie, wherever you are I love you Though you've found a new love I still miss you so I just can't forget you But you'll never know Frankie, my darling I'll never let you see me cry Once I was your sweetheart Now I'm just a friend Once you really loved me Now I just pretend Frankie, my darling I'll never let you see me cry Oh, Frankie I'd rather hide these teardrops Deep down inside I'm crying But you'll never see I'd rather cry than have you pity me Though my nights are lonely Since we've been apart I'll always keep this secret Deep within my heart Frankie, my darling I'll never let you see me cry Frankie, wherever you are I love you

15. "I Want To Be Wanted", Brenda Lee (Wanted wanted)Alone, so alone that I could cryI want to be wanted (wanted)Alone, watching lovers passing byI want to be wantedWhen I am kissedI want his lips to really kiss meWhen we're apartI want his heart to really miss me

I want to know He loves me so his eyes are misting. That's the way I want to be loved Alone, just my lonely heart knows how I want to be wanted (wanted) right now Not tomorrow, but right now I want to be wanted I want someone To share my laughter and my tears with Someone I know I'd love to spend a million years with Where is this someone somewhere meant for me? (Alone) Just my lonely heart knows how I want to be wanted (right now) Not tomorrow, but right now I want to be wanted I want someone To share my laughter and my tears with Someone I know I'd love to spend a million years with Where is this someone somewhere meant for me? (Someone, somewhere) Meant for me

16. "I'm Sorry", Brenda Lee I'm sorry, so sorry That I was such a fool I didn't know Love could be so cruel Oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-yes You tell me mistakes Are part of being young But that don't right The wrong that's been done (I'm sorry) I'm sorry (So sorry) So sorry Please accept my apology But love is blind And I was too blind to see Oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-yes You tell me mistakes

Are part of being young But that don't right The wrong that's been done Oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-yes I'm sorry, so sorry Please accept my apology But love was blind And I was too blind to see (Sorry)

17. "My Happiness", Connie Francis Evening shadows make me blue When each weary day is through How I long to be with you, my happiness Every day I reminisce Dreaming of your tender kiss Always thinking how I miss my happiness A million years it seems Have gone by since we shared our dreams But I'll hold you again There'll be no blue memories then Whether skies are gray or blue Any place on earth will do Just as long as I'm with you, my happiness Whether skies are gray or blue Any place on earth will do Just as long as I'm with you, my happiness

18. "Sweetheart", Peggy Lee
Sweetheart
Sweetheart
Sweetheart, they don't come any sweeter than you
If you ever take your love from me
I'm gonna drown myself in the deep blue sea
Yes, I'll drown myself in the deep blue sea
Sweetheart
Sweetheart
Sweetheart, my heart turns to jelly when we kiss
If your tender kisses ever stop
I'll take a running jump off a mountain top

Yes, I'll take a running jump off a mountain top Sweetheart Sweetheart Sweetheart, I don't love anybody but you If you give your love to someone else I'll dig a ten foot hole and hide myself Yes, I'll jump into a hole and bury myself Sweetheart Sweetheart Sweetheart

## Rock | Male Artists | 1958-1960

11. "All I Have To Do Is Dream", The Everly Brothers Dream, dream, dream, dream Dream, dream, dream, dream When I want you in my arms When I want you and all your charms Whenever I want you All I have to do is dream Dream, dream, dream When I feel blue in the night And I need you to hold me tight Whenever I want you All I have to do is dream I can make you mine Taste your lips of wine Anytime night or day Only trouble is Gee whiz I'm dreamin' my life away I need you so, that I could die I love you so and that is why Whenever I want you All I have to do is dream Dream, dream, dream, dream I can make you mine Taste your lips of wine Anytime night or day Only trouble is Gee whiz

I'm dreamin' my life away I need you so, that I could die I love you so and that is why Whenever I want you All I have to do is dream Dream, dream, dream Dream, dream, dream, dream Dream

12. "I Beg Of You", Elvis Presley I don't want my heart to be broken Cause it's the only one I've got So darling please be careful You know I care a lot Darling please don't break my heart I beg of you I don't want no tears a-falling You know I hate to cry But that's what's bound to happen I you only say goodbye Darling please don't say goodbye I beg of you Hold my hand and promise That you'll always love me true Make me know you'll love me The same way I love you little girl You got me at your mercy Now that I'm in love with you So please don't take advantage Cause you know my love is true Darling please please love me too I beg of you Hold my hand and promise That you'll always love me true Make me know you'll love me The same way I love you little girl You got me at your mercy Now that I'm in love with you So please don't take advantage

Cause you know my love is true Darling please please love me too I beg of you

13. "Stood Up", Ricky Nelson Well, I've been waitin' ever since eight Guess my baby's got another date Stood up, broken-hearted, again I'll bet she's out havin' a ball Not even thinkin' of me at all Stood up, broken-hearted, again Well, I know just what I oughta do I oughta find somebody new But, baby, I couldn't forget about you Stood up, broken-hearted, again [Instrumental break] Why must I always be the one Left behind never havin' any fun? Stood up, broken-hearted, again But I guess I'll go on bein' a fool Sittin' around just waitin' for you Stood up, broken-hearted, again Well, I know just what I oughta do I oughta find somebody new But, baby, I couldn't forget about you Stood up, broken-hearted, again Stood up, broken-hearted, again Stood up, broken-hearted, again

14. "Dream Lover", Bobby Darin Every night I hope and pray A dream lover will come my way A girl to hold in my arms And know the magic of her charms 'Cause I want (yeah-yeah, yeah) A girl (yeah-yeah, yeah) To call (yeah-yeah, yeah) My own (yeah-yeah) I want a dream lover So I don't have to dream alone

Dream lover, where are you With a love, oh, so true And the hand that I can hold To feel you near as I grow old 'Cause I want (yeah-yeah, yeah) A girl (yeah-yeah, yeah) To call (yeah-yeah, yeah) My own (yeah-yeah, yeah) I want a dream lover So I don't have to dream alone Someday, I don't know how I hope she'll hear my plea Some way, I don't know how She'll bring her love to me Dream lover, until then I'll go to sleep and dream again That's the only thing to do Till all my lover's dreams come true 'Cause I want (yeah-yeah, yeah) A girl (yeah-yeah, yeah) To call (yeah-yeah, yeah) My own (yeah-yeah, yeah) I want a dream lover So I don't have to dream alone Dream lover, until then I'll go to sleep and dream again That's the only thing to do Till all my lover's dreams come true 'Cause I want (yeah-yeah, yeah) A girl (yeah-yeah, yeah) To call (yeah-yeah, yeah) My own (yeah-yeah) I want a dream lover So I don't have to dream alone Please don't make me dream alone I beg you don't make me dream alone No, I don't wanna dream

15. "Wear My Ring Around Your Neck", Elvis Presley Won't you wear my ring around your neck To tell the world I'm yours, by heck Let them see your love for me And let them see by the ring around your neck Won't you wear my ring around your neck To tell the world I'm yours, by heck Let them know I love you so And let them no by the ring around your neck They say that goin' steady is not the proper thing They say that we're too young to know the meaning of a ring I only know that I love you and that you love me too So, darling, please do what I ask of you Won't you wear my ring around your neck To tell the world I'm yours, by heck Let them see your love for me And let them see by the ring around your neck Let them know I love you so And let them know by the ring around your neck

16. "Donna", Ritchie Valens Oh, Donna, oh, Donna Oh, Donna, oh, Donna I had a girl Donna was her name Since she left me I've never been the same Cause I love my girl Donna, where can you be? Where can you be? Now that you're gone I'm left all alone All by myself To wander and roam Cause I love my girl Donna, where can you be? Where can you be? Well, darlin', now that you're gone I don't know what I'll do All the time and all my love for yo-ou-ou I had a girl Donna was her name Since she left me I've never been the same

Cause I love my girl Donna, where can you be? Where can you be? Oh, Donna, oh, Donna Oh, Donna, oh, Donna

17. "Handyman", Jimmy Jones Hey girls, gather round Listen to what I'm putting down Hey babe, I'm your handy man I'm not the kind to use a pencil or rule I'm handy with love and I'm no fool I fix broken hearts, I know that I truly can If your broken heart should need repair Then I'm the man to see I whisper sweet things, you tell all your friends They'll come runnin' to me Here is the main thing I want to say I'm busy 24 hours a day I fix broken hearts, I know that I truly can Come, come, come Yeah, yeah, yeah Come, come, come Yeah, yeah, yeah They'll come runnin' to me That's me I'm your handy man

18. "Stuck On You", Elvis Presley
You can shake an apple off an apple tree
Shake-a, shake- sugar,
But you'll never shake me
Uh-uh-uh
No-sir-ee, uh, uh
I'm gonna stick like glue,
Stick because I'm
Stuck on you
Gonna run my fingers thru your long black hair
Squeeze you tighter than a grizzly bear

Uh-uh-uh, Yes-sir-ee, uh, uh I'm gonna stick like glue Stick, because I'm Stuck on you Hide in the kitchen, hide in the hall Ain't gonna do you no good at all 'Cause once I catch ya and the kissin' starts A team o' wild horses couldn't tear us apart Try to take a tiger from his daddy's side That's how love is gonna keep us tied Uh-uh-uh Yes-sir-ee, uh,uh I'm gonna stick like glue Stick, because I'm Stuck on you

19. "Wild One", Bobby Rydell

Oh wild one I'm-a gonna tame you down (tame you down) Ah, wild one I'll get you yet (yeah yeah) you bet (yeah yeah) You little doll all you do is play, you've got a new baby ev'ry day But some day it's gonna be me, me and only me. Oh oh oh wild one I'll make you settle down (settle down) Ah wild one I'll clippa your wings (yeah yeah) and them things (yeah yeah) You got the lips that I'm mad about I got the lips that'll knock you out C'mon wild one be wild about me. Whoa, yeah, baby (whoa whoa whoa) (yeah yeah) (wah wah wah wah) You little doll all you do is play, you've got a new baby ev'ry day But some day it's gonna be me, me and only me. Oh oh oh wild one I'll make you settle down (settle down) Ah wild one I'll clippa your wings (yeah yeah) and things (yeah yeah) You got the lips that I'm mad about I got the lips that'll knock you out C'mon wild one be wild about me. Whoa, yeah (wah wah wah wah) C'mon wild one be wild about me.

One more once (wah wah wah wah) Ah, c'mon wild one be wild about me. Be wild about me.

20. "What In The World's Come Over You", Jack Scott What in the world's come over you? Seems we never get along (Ooh, ah, ah, ah) Every night I reminisce dreaming of your tender kisses What in the world's come over you? (Wah, wah, ooh) Could you ever change your mind? (Ah, ah, ah) If you do, I'll still be here, dear Waiting, longing for you (Ah, ah, ah) All my life, I've loved you so Never dreamed, I'd miss you so Now, alone in my room each night My heart it cries, "It's just not right" Oh, oh, oh What in the world's come over you? Could you ever change your mind? (Ah, ah, ah) If you do, I'll still be here, dear Waiting, longing for you (Ah, ah, ah) All my life, I've loved you so Never dreamed, I'd miss you so Now, alone in my room each night My heart, it cries, "It's just not right" Oh, oh, oh What in the world's come over you? (Wah, wah, ooh) You're still my angel from above (Ah, ah, ah) Guess, you'll always be my one And only, only real love

## Rock | Female Artists | 1985-1987

11. "We Belong", Pat Benatar Many times I've tried to tell you Many times I've cried alone Always I'm surprised how well you Cut my feelings to the bone Don't wanna leave you really I've invested too much time To give you up that easy To the doubts that complicate your mind We belong to the light We belong to the thunder We belong to the sound of the words We've both fallen under Whatever we deny or embrace For worse or for better We belong, we belong We belong together Maybe it's a sign of weakness When I don't know what to say Maybe I just wouldn't know What to do with my strength anyway Have we become a habit? Do we distort the facts? Now, there's no looking forward Now, there's no turning back When you say We belong to the light We belong to the thunder We belong to the sound of the words We've both fallen under Whatever we deny or embrace For worse or for better We belong, we belong We belong together Close your eyes and try to sleep now Close your eyes and try to dream Clear your mind and do your best To try and wash the palette clean

We can't begin to know it How much we really care I hear your voice inside me I see your face everywhere Still you say We belong to the light We belong to the thunder We belong to the sound of the words We've both fallen under Whatever we denv or embrace For worse or for better We belong, we belong We belong together We belong to the light We belong to the thunder We belong to the sound of the words We've both fallen under

12. "All Through The Night", Cyndi Lauper All through the night I'll be awake and I'll be with you All through the night This precious time when time is new Oh, all through the night today Knowing that we feel the same without saying We have no past we won't reach back Keep with me forward all through the night And once we start the meter clicks And it goes running all through the night Until it ends there is no end All through the night stray cat is crying so stray cat sings back All through the night They have forgotten what by day they lack Oh under those white street lamps There is a little chance they may see We have no past we won't reach back Keep with me forward all through the night And once we start the meter clicks And it goes running all through the night

Until it ends there is no end Oh the sleep in your eyes is enough Let me be there let me stay there awhile We have no past we won't reach back Keep with me forward all through the night And once we start the meter clicks And it goes running all through the night Until it ends there is no end Keep with me forward all through the night And once we start the meter clicks And it goes running all through the night Until it ends there is no end

13. "Walking On Sunshine", Katrina & The Waves Ow

Mm, yeah

I used to think maybe you loved me, now, baby, I'm sure And I just can't wait till the day when you knock on my door Now every time I go for the mailbox, gotta hold myself down 'Cause I just can't wait till you write me you're coming around Now I'm walking on sunshine, whoa I'm walking on sunshine, whoa I'm walking on sunshine, whoa And don't it feel good Hey, all right now And don't it feel good Hey, yeah I used to think maybe you loved me, now I know that it's true And I don't want to spend my whole life just a-waiting for you Now, I don't want you back for the weekend, not back for a day, no, no, no I said, baby, I just want you back, and I want you to stay Oh, yeah, now I'm walking on sunshine, whoa I'm walking on sunshine, whoa I'm walking on sunshine, whoa And don't it feel good Hey, all right now And don't it feel good Yeah, oh, yeah, now And don't it feel good

Walking on sunshine I feel alive, I feel the love, I feel the love that's really real I feel alive, I feel the love, I feel the love that's really real I'm on sunshine, baby, oh Oh, yeah, I'm on sunshine, baby Oh, I'm walking on sunshine, whoa I'm walking on sunshine, whoa I'm walking on sunshine, whoa And don't it feel good Hey, all right now And don't it feel good I'll say it, I'll say it, I'll say it again now And don't it feel good Hey, yeah now And don't it feel good Now don't it, don't it, don't it, don't it, don't it And don't it feel good I'll say it, I'll say it, I'll say it again now And don't it feel good Now don't it, don't it, don't it, don't it, don't it, And don't it feel good Now tell me, tell me, tell me again now And don't it feel good Oh, yeah, now And don't it feel good Oh, don't it feel good, don't it feel good Now don't it feel good Oh, yeah, oh, yeah, oh, yeah And don't it feel good Oh, yeah, yeah, yeah, oh, yeah, oh, yeah And don't it feel good

14. "Never", HeartHey baby I'm talking to youStop yourself and listenSome things you can never chooseEven if you try yeahYou're bangin' your head againCause somebody won't let you inOne chance, one love

Your chance to let me know We can't go on Just running away If we stay any longer We will surely never get away Anything you want, we can make it happen Stand up and turn around Never let them shoot us down Never, never Never, never run away Hey baby you know it's true Why you bother lying when you know That you want it too Don't you dare deny me Walk those legs right over here Give me what I'm dying for One chance, one love Hold me down never let me go We can't go on Just running away If we wait any longer We will surely never get away Anything you want, we can make it happen Stand up and turn around Never let them shoot us down Never, never Never, never run away Never, never Never, never run away Hey baby I'm talking to you 15. "Venus", Bananarama

Goddess on the mountain top Burning like a silver flame The summit of beauty and love And Venus was her name She's got it Yeah, baby, she's got it I'm your Venus, I'm your fire At your desire

Well, I'm your Venus, I'm your fire At your desire Her weapons were her crystal eyes Making every man mad Black as the dark night she was Got what no one else had Wah! She's got it Yeah, baby, she's got it I'm your Venus, I'm your fire At your desire Well, I'm your Venus, I'm your fire At your desire Venus She's got it Yeah, baby, she's got it I'm your Venus, I'm your fire At your desire Well, I'm your Venus, I'm your fire At your desire Goddess on the mountain top Burning like a silver flame The summit of beauty and love And Venus was her name Wah! She's got it Yeah, baby, she's got it I'm your Venus, I'm your fire At your desire Well, I'm your Venus, I'm your fire At your desire Venus was her name Yeah baby she's got it Yeah baby she's got it Yeah baby she's got it Yeah baby she's got it

16. "Talk To Me", Stevie NicksI can see we're thinkin' bout the same thingsAnd I can see your expression when the phone rings

We both know there's something happening here Well, there's no sense in dancing round the subject A wound gets worse when it's treated with neglect Don't turn around there's nothing here to fear You can talk to me Talk to me You can talk to me You can set your secrets free, baby Dusty words lying under carpets Seldom heard well must you keep your secrets Locked inside hidden safe from view Well, is it all that hard Is it all that tough Well, I've shown you all my cards now isn't that enough You can hide your hurt But, there's something you can do You can talk to me Talk to me... talk to me I can set your secrets free, baby La, la, la, la... Though we lay face to face and cheek to cheek Our voices stray from the common ground where they Could meet The walls run high, to veil a swelling tear Oh, let the walls burn down, set your secrets free You can break their bounds, cause you're safe with me You can lose your doubt, cause you'll find no danger Not here You can talk to me Talk to me You can talk to me You can set your secrets free, baby Oh, I can see you running... I can see you running I can see you running all the way back home I can see your expression when the phone rings And I can see that you're thinkin' bout the same things Is it all that hard Is it all that tough Well, you've taken all there is now baby

Isn't that enough Well, I can see you runnin'... I can see you runnin' All the way back

17. "Typical Male", Tina Turner Tell me lawyer what to do I think I'm falling in love with you Defend me, from the way I feel Won't you give me some advice On how to handle my private life I'm sure that we can make a deal I confess I'm a fool for a man with a clever mind But your intellect ain't not match For this heart of mine All I want is a little reaction Just enough to tip the scales I'm just using my female attraction On a typical male, a typical male Your sense of justice I will embrace But your defense won't help my case I'm deep in trouble with the law Something about authority Seems to bring out the bad in me Hey lawyer, gotta catch me when I fall Oh they say that you match your wits with the best of them But I know when I'm close you're just like the rest of them All I want is a little reaction Just enough to tip the scales I'm just using my female attraction On a typical male, a typical male Your sense of justice I will embrace But your defense won't help my case I'm deep in trouble with the law So put your books aside Loosen off the suit and tie Open off your heart and let me in Open off your heart and let me in All I want is a little reaction Just enough to tip the scales I'm just using my female attraction

On a typical male, a typical male Your sense of justice I will embrace But your defense won't help my case I'm deep in trouble with the law

18. "Alone", Heart I hear the ticking of the clock I'm lying here the room's pitch dark I wonder where you are tonight No answer on the phone And the night goes by so very slow Oh I hope that it won't end though Alone Till now I always got by on my own I never really cared until I met you And now it chills me to the bone How do I get you alone How do I get you alone You don't know how long I have wanted To touch your lips and hold you tight, oh You don't know how long I have waited And I was going to tell you tonight But the secret is still my own And my love for you is still unknown Alone Till now I always got by on my own I never really cared until I met you And now it chills me to the bone How do I get you alone Alone, alone

19. "Change Of Heart", Cyndi Lauper Here I amJust like I said I would beI'm your friendJust like you think it should beDid you think I would stand here and lie

As our moment was passing us by Oh I am here Waiting for your change of heart It just takes a beat To turn it around Yes I'm waiting for your change of heart At the edge of my seat Please turn it around Days go by Leaving me with a hunger I could fly Back to when we were younger When adventures like cars we would ride And the years lied ahead still untried While I stand here Waiting for your change of heart... Blind leading blind Never hear the laughter Search through time Nothing reveals the answer If it's truth that you're looking to find It is nowhere outside of your mind I bide my time Waiting for your change of heart... 20. "Who Will You Run To", Heart You're not sure what you want to do With your life But you sure don't want me in it

Yeah you're sure the life you're Living with me Can't go on one single minute And there's a new one waiting Outside this door And now's the time to begin it You found a new world and You want to taste it But that world can turn cold and You better face it Who will you run to when it all falls down

Who's gonna pick you world up off the ground Who's gonna take away the tears you cry Who's gonna love you baby as good as I You won't know what it's like to live On your own You've always had me there beside you You think it's easy finding Someone out there Who's gonna care as much as I do What's gonna happen baby When you find out That there's no one there to cry to You can tell the whole world how you're Gonna make it You can follow you heart but what ya do When someone breaks it Who will you run to when it all falls down Who's gonna pick you world up off the ground Who's gonna take away the tears you cry Who's goona love you baby as good as I You found a new world and You want to taste it But that world can turn cold and You better face it Who will you run to when it all falls down Who's gonna pick you world up off the ground Who's gonna take away the tears you cry Who's gonna love you baby as good as I Who will you run to when it all falls down Who's gonna pick your world up off the ground Who's gonna take away the tears you cry Who's gonna love you baby as good as I

## Rock | Male Artists | 1985-1987

11. "I Want To Know What Love Is", ForeignerI gotta take a little timeA little time to think things overI better read between the linesIn case I need it when I'm older

Now this mountain I must climb Feels like a world upon my shoulders I through the clouds I see love shine It keeps me warm as life grows colder In my life there's been heartache and pain I don't know if I can face it again Can't stop now, I've traveled so far To change this lonely life I wanna know what love is I want you to show me I wanna feel what love is I know you can show me I'm gonna take a little time A little time to look around me I've got nowhere left to hide It looks like love has finally found me In my life there's been heartache and pain I don't know if I can face it again I can't stop now, I've traveled so far To change this lonely life I wanna know what love is I want you to show me I wanna feel what love is I know you can show me I wanna know what love is I want you to show me And I wanna feel, I want to feel what love is And I know, I know you can show me Let's talk about love I wanna know what love is, the love that you feel inside I want you to show me, and I'm feeling so much love I wanna feel what love is, no, you just cannot hide I know you can show me, yeah I wanna know what love is, let's talk about love I want you to show me, I wanna feel it too I wanna feel what love is, I want to feel it too And I know and I know, I know you can show me Show me love is real, yeah I wanna know what love is...

12. "Out of Touch", Hall & Oates Shake it up is all that we know Using the bodies up as we go I'm waking up to fantasy The shades all around Aren't the colors we used to see Broken ice still melts in the sun And times that are broken Can often be one again We're soul alone And soul really matters to me Take a look around You're out of touch I'm out of time (time) But I'm out of my head When you're not around You're out of touch I'm out of time (time) But I'm out of my head When you're not around Oh, oh-oh, oh Oh, oh-oh, oh Reaching out for something to hold Looking for a love Where the climate is cold Manic moves and drowsy dreams Or living in the middle Between the two extremes Smoking guns hot to the touch Would cool down If we didn't use them so much

13. "Everytime You Go Away", Paul YoungHey!, if we can solve any problemThen why do we lose so many tearsOh, and so you go againWhen the leading man appearsAlways the same thingCan't you see, we've got everything goin' on and on and on

Every time you go away you take a piece of me with you Every time you go away you take a piece of me with you Go on and go free, yeah Maybe you're too close to see I can feel your body move It doesn't mean that much to me I can't go on sayin' the same thing Just can't you see, we've got everything do you even know we know Every time you go away you take a piece of me with you, oh Every time you go away you take a piece of me with you I can't go on sayin' the same thing 'Cause baby, can'tcha see, we've got everything goin' on and on and on Every time you go away you take a piece of me with you Every time you go away you take a piece of me with you Looking at the pieces (Every time you go away) Be careful (You take a piece of me with you) (Every time you go away) Every time you go, every time you go (You take a piece of me with you) You take a piece of me! (Every time you go away you take a piece of me with you) Every time you go!

14. "Broken Wings", Mr. Mister Baby, don't understand Why we can't just hold on to each others' hands This time might be the last, I fear Unless I make it all too clear I need you so, ohh Take these broken wings And learn to fly again Learn to live so free When we hear the voices sing The book of love will open up and let us in Take these broken wings Baby, I think tonight We can take what was wrong and make it right, mmm Baby, it's all I know That you're half of the flesh And blood that makes me whole

I need you so So take these broken wings And learn to fly again Learn to live so free And when we hear the voices sing The book of love will open up and let us in Take these broken wings You've got to learn to fly Learn to live and love so free And when we hear the voices sing The book of love will open up and let us in, yeah, yeah Let us in Let us in Baby, it's all I know That you're half of the flesh And blood that makes me whole Yeah yeah yeah, yeah yeah So take these broken wings And learn to fly again Learn to live so free And when we hear the voices sing The book of love will open up and let us in Take these broken wings You've got to learn to fly Learn to live and love so free And when we hear the voices sing The book of love will open up for us and let us in, yeah yeah Yeah yeah Ooh 15. "Glory of Love", Peter Cetera

Tonight it's very clear 'Cause we're both lying here There's so many things I wanna say I will always love you I would never leave you alone Sometimes I just forget Say things I might regret It breaks my heart to see you crying I don't wanna lose you I could never make it alone I am a man who will fight for your honor I'll be the hero you're dreaming of We'll live forever Knowing together That we did it all for the glory of love You keep me standing tall You help me through it all I'm always strong when you're beside me I have always needed you I could never make it alone I am the man who will fight for your honor I'll be the hero You've been dreaming of We'll live forever Knowing together that we did it all For the glory of love It's like a knight in shining armor From a long time ago Just in time I will save the day Take you to my castle far away I am the man who will fight for your honor I'll be the hero that your dreaming of We're gonna live for ever Knowing together That we did it all for the glory of love We'll live forever Knowing together That we did it all for the glory of love We did it all for love

16. "Alive and Kicking", Simple MindsYou turn me on, you lift me upAnd like the sweetest cup I'd share with youYou lift me up, don't you ever stop, I'm here with youNow it's all or nothing'Cause you say you'll follow throughYou follow me, and I, I, I follow youWhat you gonna do when things go wrong?

What you gonna do when it all cracks up? What you gonna do when the Love burns down? What you gonna do when the flames go up? Who is gonna come and turn the tide? What's it gonna take to make a dream survive? Who's got the touch to calm the storm inside? Who's gonna save you? Alive and Kicking Stay until your love is, Alive and Kicking Stay until your love is, until your love is, Alive Oh you lift me up to the crucial top, so I can see Oh vou lead me on, till the feelings come And the lights that shine on But if that don't mean nothing Like if someday it should fall through You'll take me home where the magic's from And I'll be with you What you gonna do when things go wrong? What you gonna do when it all cracks up? What you gonna do when the Love burns down? What you gonna do when the flames go up? Who is gonna come and turn the tide? What's it gonna take to make a dream survive? Who's got the touch to calm the storm inside? Don't say goodbye Don't say goodbye In the final seconds who's gonna save you? Oh, Alive and Kicking Stay until your love is, love is, Alive and Kicking Oh, Alive and Kicking Stay until your love is, love is, Alive and Kicking 17. "Nothing's Gonna Stop Us Now", Starship Looking in your eyes, I see a paradise This world that I found is too good to be true

Standing here beside you

Want so much to give you this love in my heart

That I'm feeling for you.

Let them say we're crazy

Don't care about that

Baby round in my in my hand, baby, don't ever look back Let the world around us just fall apart Baby, we can make it if we're heart to heart And we can build this dream together, Standing strong forever Nothing's gonna stop us now And if this world runs out of lovers We'll still have each other Nothing's gonna stop us, Nothing's gonna stop us now ooh ohh I'm so glad I found you, I'm not gonna lose you Whatever it takes to I will stay here with you Take it to the good times, See it through the bad times Whatever it takes is what I'm gonna do Let them say we're crazy What do they know? Put your arms around me, baby, don't ever let go Let the world around us just fall apart Baby, we can make it if we're heart to heart And we can build this dream together, Standing strong forever Nothing's gonna stop us now And if this world runs out of lovers We'll still have each other Nothing's gonna stop us, nothing's gonna stop us.. Oohh. all that I need is you All that I ever need. And all that I want to do is hold you forever, forever and ever.. And we can build this dream together, Standing strong forever Nothing's gonna stop us now And if this world runs out of lovers We'll still have each other Nothing's gonna stop us, nothing's gonna stop us... Oohh wooohh Nothing's gonna stop us...now Hey baby...

And we can build this dream together, Standing strong forever Nothing's gonna stop us now And if this world runs out of lovers We'll still have each other Nothings gonna stop us Nothings gonna stop us now...

18. "Livin' On A Prayer", Bon Jovi Once upon a time not so long ago Tommy used to work on the docks Union's been on strike He's down on his luck... It's tough, so tough Gina works the diner all day Working for her man, She brings home her pay For love, for love She says, "We've gotta hold on to what we've got. It doesn't make a difference if we make it or not. We've got each other and that's a lot. For love we'll give it a shot." Whoa, we're half way there Whoa, livin' on a prayer Take my hand and we'll make it - I swear Whoa, livin' on a prayer Tommy's got his six string in hock Now he's holding in What he used to make it talk So tough, it's tough Gina dreams of running away When she cries in the night Tommy whispers, "Baby, it's okay, someday... ...We've gotta hold on to what we've got. It doesn't make a difference if we make it or not. We've got each other and that's a lot. For love we'll give it a shot." Whoa, we're half way there Whoa, livin' on a prayer

Take my hand and we'll make it - I swear Whoa, livin' on a prayer Livin' on a prayer We've gotta hold on ready or not You live for the fight when it's all that you've got Whoa, we're half way there Whoa, livin' on a prayer Take my hand and we'll make it - I swear Whoa, livin' on a prayer Whoa, we're half way there Whoa, livin' on a prayer Take my hand and we'll make it - I swear Whoa, livin' on a prayer

19. "Everybody Have Fun Tonight", Wang Chung I'll drive a million miles To be with you tonight So if you're feeling low Turn up your radio The words we use are strong They make reality But now the music's on Oh, baby, dance with me, yeah Rip it up, move down Rip it up, move it down to the ground Rip it up, cool down Rip it up, don't hang me on the borderline Everybody have fun tonight Everybody have fun tonight Everybody Wang Chung tonight Everybody have fun tonight Everybody Wang Chung tonight Everybody have fun Deep in the world tonight Our hearts beat safe and sound I'll hold you so close Just let yourself go down Rip it up, move down Rip it up, move it down to the ground Rip it up, cool down

Rip it up, get out what's inside of you Everybody have fun tonight Everybody have fun tonight Everybody Wang Chung tonight Everybody have fun tonight Everybody Wang Chung tonight Everybody have fun tonight (everybody) Everybody have fun On the edge of oblivion All the word is Babylon And all the love and everyone A ship of fools sailing on (Everybody) Everybody have fun tonight (Everybody) Everybody have fun tonight Across the nation, around the world Everybody have fun tonight A celebration, so spread the word Everybody, everyone Everybody, everyone (can you tell me what a Wang Chung is?) Everybody, everyone Everybody have fun tonight Everybody have fun tonight Everybody Wang Chung tonight Everybody have fun tonight Everybody Wang Chung tonight Everybody have fun tonight Everybody have fun Everybody, everyone

20. "Easy Lover", Philip Bailey and Phil Collins Easy lover She'll get a hold on you believe it Like no other Before you know it you'll be on your knees She's an easy lover She'll take your heart but you won't feel it She's like no other And I'm just trying to make you see She's the kind of girl you dream of

Dream of keeping hold of

You'd better forget it

You'll never get it

She will play around and leave you

Leave you and deceive you

Better forget it

Oh you'll regret it

No you'll never change her, so leave it, leave it

Get out quick cos seeing is believing

It's the only way

You'll ever know

Easy lover

She'll get a hold on you believe it

Like no other

Before you know it you'll be on your knees

She's an easy lover

She'll take your heart but you won't feel it

She's like no other

And I'm just trying to make you see

You're the one that wants to hold her

Hold her and control her

You'd better forget it

You'll never get it

For she'll say there's no other

Till she finds another

Better forget it

Oh you'll regret it

And don't try to change her, just leave it, leave it

You're not the only one, ooh seeing is believing

It's the only way

You'll ever know, oh

No don't try to change her, just leave it, leave it

You're not the only one, ooh seeing is believing

It's the only way

You'll ever know, oh

She's an easy lover (she's a easy lover)

She'll get a hold on you believe it (get a hold on you)

(She's) like no other

Before you know it you'll be on your knees (you'll be down on your knees)

She's an easy lover She'll take your heart but you won't feel it (you won't feel it) She's like no other And I'm just trying to make you see (trying to make you see)

## Rock | Female Artists | 2012-2014

11. "Stronger (What Doesn't Kill You)", Kelly Clarkson You know the bed feels warmer Sleeping here alone You know I dream in color And do the things I want You think you got the best of me Think you've had the last laugh Bet you think that everything good is gone Think you left me broken down Think that I'd come running back Baby you don't know me, cause you're dead wrong What doesn't kill you makes you stronger Stand a little taller Doesn't mean I'm lonely when I'm alone What doesn't kill you makes a fighter Footsteps even lighter Doesn't mean I'm over cause you're gone What doesn't kill you makes you stronger, stronger Just me, myself and I What doesn't kill you makes you stronger Stand a little taller Doesn't mean I'm lonely when I'm alone You heard that I was starting over with someone new They told you I was moving on over you You didn't think that I'd come back I'd come back swinging You try to break me, but you see What doesn't kill you makes you stronger Stand a little taller Doesn't mean I'm lonely when I'm alone What doesn't kill you makes a fighter Footsteps even lighter Doesn't mean I'm over cause you're gone

What doesn't kill you makes you stronger, stronger Just me, myself and I What doesn't kill you makes you stronger Stand a little taller Doesn't mean I'm lonely when I'm alone Thanks to you I got a new thing started Thanks to you I'm not the broken-hearted Thanks to you I'm finally thinking about me You know in the end the day you left was just my beginning In the end... What doesn't kill you makes you stronger Stand a little taller Doesn't mean I'm lonely when I'm alone What doesn't kill you makes a fighter Footsteps even lighter Doesn't mean I'm over cause you're gone What doesn't kill you makes you stronger Stand a little taller Doesn't mean I'm lonely when I'm alone What doesn't kill you makes a fighter Footsteps even lighter Doesn't mean I'm over cause you're gone What doesn't kill you makes you stronger, stronger Just me, myself and I What doesn't kill you makes you stronger Stand a little taller Doesn't mean I'm lonely when I'm alone (When I'm alone)

12. "Blow Me (One Last Kiss)", P!nk

White knuckles and sweaty palms from hanging on too tight Clenched shut jaw, I've got another headache again tonight Eyes on fire, eyes on fire, and they burn from all the tears I've been crying, I've been crying, I've been dying over you Tie a knot in the rope, tryin' to hold, tryin' to hold, But there's nothing to grasp so I let go I think I've finally had enough, I think I maybe think too much I think this might be it for us (blow me one last kiss) You think I'm just too serious, I think you're full of shit My head is spinning so (blow me one last kiss) Just when it can't get worse, I've had a shit day (NO!) Have you had a shit day? (NO!), we've had a shit day (NO!) I think that life's too short for this. I want back my ignorance and bliss I think I've had enough of this, blow me one last kiss. I won't miss all of the fighting that we always did, Take it in, I mean what I say when I say there is nothing left No more sick whiskey dick, no more battles for me You'll be calling a trick, 'cause you'll no longer sleep I'll dress nice, I'll look good, I'll go dancing alone I will laugh, I'll get drunk, I'll take somebody home I think I've finally had enough, I think I maybe think too much I think this might be it for us (blow me one last kiss) You think I'm just too serious, I think you're full of shit My head is spinning so (blow me one last kiss) Just when it can't get worse, I've had a shit day (No!) Have you had a shit day? (No!), we've had a shit day (No!) I think that life's too short for this, I want back my ignorance and bliss I think I've had enough of this, blow me one last kiss. Na na na na - da da da da Blow me one last kiss Na na na na - da da da da Blow me one last kiss I will do what I please, anything that I want I will breathe, I will breathe, I won't worry at all You will pay for your sins, you'll be sorry my dear All the lies, all the why's, will all be crystal clear I think I've finally had enough, I think I maybe think too much I think this might be it for us (blow me one last kiss) You think I'm just too serious, I think you're full of shit My head is spinning so (blow me one last kiss) Just when it can't get worse, I've had a shit day (No!) Have you had a shit day? (No!), we've had a shit day (No!) I think that life's too short for this, I want back my ignorance and bliss I think I've had enough of this, blow me one last kiss. Na na na na - da da da da Na na na na - da da da da Na na na na - da da da da Blow me one last kiss. Na na na na - da da da da Na na na na - da da da da

Na na na na - da da da da Blow me one last kiss.

13. "Give Your Heart a Break", Demi Lovato The day I first met you You told me you'd never fall in love But now that I get you I know fear is what it really was Now here we are, So close yet so far. Haven't I passed the test? When will you realize, Baby, I'm not like the rest? Don't wanna break your heart Wanna give your heart a break I know you're scared it's wrong Like you might make a mistake There's just one life to live And there's no time to wait, to wait So let me give your heart a break, give your heart a break Let me give your heart a break, your heart a break There's just so much you can take Give your heart a break Let me give your heart a break, your heart a break Oh yeah, yeah On Sunday you went home alone There were tears in your eyes I called your cell phone, my love But you did not reply The world is ours. If we want it, We can take it if you just take my hand. There's no turning back now. Baby, try to understand Don't wanna break your heart Wanna give your heart a break I know you're scared it's wrong Like you might make a mistake There's just one life to live And there's no time to wait, to wait So let me give your heart a break, give your heart a break

Let me give your heart a break, your heart a break There's just so much you can take Give your heart a break Let me give your heart a break, your heart a break Oh yeah, yeah When your lips are on my lips Then our hearts beat as one But you slip out of my fingertips Every time you run, whoa-oh-whoa-oh-oh Don't wanna break your heart Wanna give your heart a break I know you're scared it's wrong Like you might make a mistake There's just one life to live And there's no time to wait, to wait So let me give your heart a break 'Cause you've been hurt before I can see it in your eyes You try to smile it away, some things you can't disguise Don't wanna break your heart Baby, I can ease the ache, the ache So let me give your heart a break, give your heart a break 14. "I Knew You Were Trouble", Taylor Swift I think--I think when it's all over,

It just comes back in flashes, you know?

It's like a kaleidoscope of memories.

It just all comes back. But he never does.

I think part of me knew the second I saw him that t

his would happen.

It's not really anything he said or anything he did

It was the feeling that came along with it.

And the crazy thing is I don't know if I'm ever gonna feel that way again.

But I don't know if I should.

I knew his world moved too fast and burned too bright.

But I just thought, how can the devil be pulling you toward someone

who looks so much like an angel when he smiles at you?

Maybe he knew that when he saw me.

I guess I just lost my balance.

I think that the worst part of it all wasn't losing him.

It was losing me. Once upon a time a few mistakes ago I was in your sights, you got me alone You found me, you found me, you found me I guess you didn't care, and I guess I liked that And when I fell hard you took a step back Without me, without me, without me And he's long gone when he's next to me And I realize the blame is on me 'Cause I knew you were trouble when you walked in So shame on me now Flew me to places I'd never been 'Til you put me down, oh I knew you were trouble when you walked in So shame on me now Flew me to places I'd never been Now I'm lying on the cold hard ground Oh, oh, trouble, trouble, trouble Oh, oh, trouble, trouble, trouble No apologies. He'll never see you cry, Pretends he doesn't know that he's the reason why. You're drowning, you're drowning, you're drowning. Now I heard you moved on from whispers on the street A new notch in your belt is all I'll ever be And now I see, now I see, now I see He was long gone when he met me And I realize the joke is on me, yeah! I knew you were trouble when you walked in So shame on me now Flew me to places I'd never been 'Til you put me down, oh I knew you were trouble when you walked in So shame on me now Flew me to places I'd never been Now I'm lying on the cold hard ground Oh, oh, trouble, trouble, trouble Oh, oh, trouble, trouble, trouble And the saddest fear comes creeping in That you never loved me or her, or anyone, or anything, yeah I knew you were trouble when you walked in

So shame on me now

15. "Try", P!nk Oh oh Ever wonder about what he's doing? How it all turned to lies? Sometimes I think that it's better to never ask why Where there is desire There is gonna be a flame Where there is a flame Someone's bound to get burned But just because it burns Doesn't mean you're gonna die You've gotta get up and try, and try, and try Gotta get up and try, and try, and try You gotta get up and try, and try, and try Eh, eh, eh Funny how the heart can be deceiving More than just a couple times Why do we fall in love so easy? Even when it's not right Where there is desire There is gonna be a flame Where there is a flame Someone's bound to get burned But just because it burns Doesn't mean you're gonna die You've gotta get up and try, and try, and try Gotta get up and try, and try, and try You gotta get up and try, and try, and try Ever worry that it might be ruined And does it make you wanna cry? When you're out there doing what you're doing Are you just getting by? Tell me are you just getting by, by, by? Where there is desire There is gonna be a flame Where there is a flame Someone's bound to get burned

But just because it burns Doesn't mean you're gonna die You've gotta get up and try, and try, and try Gotta get up and try, and try, and try You gotta get up and try, and try, and try Gotta get up and try, and try, and try Gotta get up and try, and try, and try You gotta get up and try, and try, and try Gotta get up and try, and try, and try Gotta get up and try, and try, and try You gotta get up and try, and try, and try Gotta get up and try, and try, and try Gotta get up and try, and try, and try

16. "Still Into You", Paramore Can't count the years on one hand That we've been together I need the other one to hold you Make you feel, make you feel better It's not a walk in the park To love each other But when our fingers interlock, Can't deny, can't deny you're worth it 'Cause after all this time I'm still into you I should be over all the butterflies But I'm into you (I'm into you) And baby even on our worst nights I'm into you (I'm into you) Let 'em wonder how we got this far 'Cause I don't really need to wonder at all Yeah, after all this time I'm still into you Recount the night that I first met your mother And on the drive back to my house I told you that, I told you that I loved ya You felt the weight of the world Fall off your shoulder And to your favorite song We sang along to the start of forever And after all this time I'm still into you I should be over all the butterflies But I'm into you (I'm into you)

And baby even on our worst nights I'm into you (I'm into you) Let 'em wonder how we got this far 'Cause I don't really need to wonder at all Yeah, after all this time I'm still into you Some things just, some things just make sense And one of those is you and I (Hey) Some things just, some things just make sense And even after all this time (Hey) I'm into you, baby, not a day goes by That I'm not into you I should be over all the butterflies But I'm into you (I'm into you) And baby even on our worst nights I'm into you (I'm into you) Let 'em wonder how we got this far 'Cause I don't really need to wonder at all Yeah, after all this time I'm still into you I'm still into you I'm still into you

17. "Ain't It Fun", Paramore I don't mind letting you down easy But just give it time If it don't hurt now then just wait, just wait a while You're not the big fish in the pond no more You are what they're feeding on So what are you gonna do when the world don't orbit around you? So what are you gonna do when the world don't orbit around you? Ain't it fun living in the real world Ain't it good being all alone Where you're from You might be the one who's running things Well, you could ring anybody's bell and get what you want You see, it's easy to ignore trouble When you're living in a bubble So what are you gonna do when the world don't orbit around you? So what are you gonna do when nobody wants to fool with you? Ain't it fun living in the real world

Ain't it good being all alone Ain't it good to be on your own Ain't it fun you can't count on no one Ain't it good to be on your own Ain't it fun you can't count on no one Ain't it fun living in the real world Don't go crying to your mama 'cause you're on your own in the real world Don't go crying to your mama 'cause you're on your own in the real world Don't go crying to your mama 'cause you're on your own in the real world Don't go crying to your mama 'cause you're on your own in the real world Ain't it fun Ain't it fun Baby, now you're one of us Ain't it fun Ain't it fun Ain't it fun Ain't it fun living in the real world Ain't it good, ain't it good being all alone Ain't it fun living in the real world ('Cause the world don't orbit around you) Ain't it good, ain't it good being all alone (oh) Don't go crying to your mama 'cause you're on your own in the real world (Down to your mama) Don't go crying to your mama 'cause you're on your own in the real world (Don't go crying to your mama)

Don't go crying to your mama 'cause you're on your own in the real world (Oh, this is the real world)

18. "Can't Remember To Forget You", Shakira ft. Rihanna
I left a note on my bedpost
Said not to repeat yesterday's mistakes
What I tend to do when it comes to you
I see only the good, selective memory
The way he makes me feel yeah, gotta hold on me
I've never met someone so different
Oh here we go
You a part of me now, you a part of me
So where you go I follow, follow, follow
Oh oh oh oh oh oh
I can't remember to forget you

Oh oh oh oh oh oh oh oh I keep forgetting I should let you go But when you look at me, the only memory, Is us kissing in the moonlight Oh oh oh oh oh oh oh oh I can't remember to forget you Ooooh I can't remember to forget you Oh oh oh oh oh oh oh oh I go back again Fall off the train Land in his bed Repeat yesterday's mistakes What I'm trying to say is not to forget You see only the good, selective memory The way he makes me feel like The way he makes me feel I never seemed to act so stupid Oh here we go He a part of me now, he a part of me So where he goes I follow, follow, follow, oh Oh oh oh oh oh oh oh oh I can't remember to forget you Oh oh oh oh oh oh oh oh I keep forgetting I should let you go But when you look at me, the only memory, Is us kissing in the moonlight Oh oh oh oh oh oh oh oh I can't remember to forget you I'd rob and I'd kill to keep him with me I'd do anything for that boy I'd give my last dime to hold him tonight I'd do anything for that boy I'd rob and I'd kill to keep him with me I'd do anything for that boy I'd give my last dime to hold him tonight I'd do anything for that boy Oh oh oh oh oh oh oh oh I keep forgetting I should let you go But when you look at me, the only memory,

Is us kissing in the moonlight Oh oh oh oh oh oh oh oh I can't remember to forget you Ooooh I can't remember to forget you Oh oh oh oh oh oh oh

19. "We Might Be Dead By Tomorrow", Soko Give me all your love now 'Cause for all we know We might be dead by tomorrow I can't go on wasting my time Adding scars to my heart 'Cause all I hear is "I'm not ready now" And I can tell That you didn't had To face your mother Losing her lover Without saying goodbye Without saying goodbye 'Cause she didn't had time I don't want to judge What's in your heart But if you're not ready for love How can you be ready for life? How can you be ready for life? So let's love fully And let's love loud Let's love now 'Cause soon enough we'll die 'Cause soon enough we'll die

20. "Young and Beautiful", Lana Del Rey I've seen the world Done it all Had my cake now Diamonds, brilliant And Bel Air now Hot summer nights, mid July When you and I were forever wild The crazy days, city lights The way you'd play with me like a child Will you still love me When I'm no longer young and beautiful? Will you still love me When I got nothing but my aching soul? I know you will, I know you will I know that you will Will you still love me when I'm no longer beautiful? I've seen the world, lit it up As my stage now Channeling angels in the new age now Hot summer days, rock 'n' roll The way you play for me at your show And all the ways I got to know Your pretty face and electric soul Will you still love me When I'm no longer young and beautiful? Will you still love me When I got nothing but my aching soul? I know you will, I know you will I know that you will Will you still love me when I'm no longer beautiful? Dear lord, when I get to heaven Please let me bring my man When he comes tell me that you'll let him in Father tell me if you can Oh that grace, oh that body Oh that face makes me wanna party He's my sun, he makes me shine like diamonds Will you still love me When I'm no longer young and beautiful? Will you still love me When I got nothing but my aching soul? I know you will, I know you will

I know that you will Will you still love me when I'm no longer beautiful? Will you still love me when I'm no longer beautiful? Will you still love me when I'm not young and beautiful?

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11. "Payphone", Maroon 5 ft. Whiz Khalifa I'm at a payphone trying to call home All of my change I spent on you Where have the times gone? Baby, it's all wrong Where are the plans we made for two? Yeah, I, I know it's hard to remember The people we used to be... It's even harder to picture, That you're not here next to me. You say it's too late to make it, But is it too late to try? And in our time that you wasted All of our bridges burned down I've wasted my nights, You turned out the lights Now I'm paralyzed. Still stuck in that time When we called it love But even the sun sets in paradise I'm at a payphone trying to call home All of my change I spent on you Where have the times gone? Baby, it's all wrong Where are the plans we made for two? If "Happy Ever After" did exist, I would still be holding you like this All those fairy tales are full of shit One more fucking love song, I'll be sick. Oh, you turned your back on tomorrow 'Cause you forgot yesterday. I gave you my love to borrow, But you just gave it away. You can't expect me to be fine, I don't expect you to care

I know I've said it before But all of our bridges burned down. I've wasted my nights, You turned out the lights Now I'm paralyzed. Still stuck in that time When we called it love But even the sun sets in paradise. I'm at a payphone trying to call home All of my change I spent on you Where have the times gone? Baby, it's all wrong Where are the plans we made for two? If "Happy Ever After" did exist, I would still be holding you like this All those fairy tales are full of shit One more fucking love song, I'll be sick. Now I'm at a payphone

12. "Drive By", Train On the other side of a street I knew Stood a girl that looked like you I guess that's déjà vu But I thought this can't be true 'Cause you moved to west LA Or New York or Santa Fe Or wherever to get away from me Oh but that one night Was more than just right I didn't leave you 'cause I was all through Oh I was overwhelmed and frankly scared as hell Because I really fell for you Oh I swear to you I'll be there for you This is not a drive by Just a shy guy looking for a two-ply Hefty bag to hold my love When you move me everything is groovy They don't like it sue me Mmm the way you do me Oh I swear to you

I'll be there for you This is not a drive by On the upside of a downward spiral My love for you went viral And I loved you every mile you drove away But now here you are again So let's skip the "how you been" And get down to the "more than friends" at last Oh but that one night Is still the highlight I didn't need you until I came to And I was overwhelmed and frankly scared as hell Because I really fell for you Oh I swear to you I'll be there for you This is not a drive by Just a shy guy looking for a two-ply Hefty bag to hold my love When you move me everything is groovy They don't like it sue me Mmm the way you do me Oh I swear to you I'll be there for you This is not a drive by Please believe That when I leave There's nothing up my sleeve But love for you And a little time to get my head together too On the other side of a street I knew Stood a girl that looked like you I guess that's déjà vu But I thought this can't be true 'Cause Oh I swear to you I'll be there for you This is not a drive by

13. "Everybody Talks", Neon Trees Hey, baby, won't you look my way?

I can be your new addiction Hey, baby, what you gotta say? All you're giving me is fiction I'm a sorry sucker and this happens all the time I found out that everybody talks Everybody talks, everybody talks It started with a whisper And that was when I kissed her And then she made my lips hurt I can hear the chitchat Take me to your love shack Mamas always gotta backtrack When everybody talks back Hey honey you could be my drug You could be my new prescription Too much could be an overdose All this trash talk make me itching Oh my my shit Everybody talks, everybody talks Everybody talks too much It started with a whisper And that was when I kissed her And then she made my lips hurt I can hear the chitchat Take me to your love shack Mamas always gotta backtrack When everybody talks back Never thought I'd live to see the day When everybody's words got in the way Hey sugar show me all your love All you're giving me is friction Hey sugar what you gotta say? It started with a whisper And that was when I kissed her And then she made my lips hurt I can hear the chitchat Take me to your love shack Mamas always gotta backtrack When everybody talks back Everybody talks

Everybody talks Everybody talks Everybody talks Everybody talks Everybody talks... back It started with a whisper (everybody talks, everybody talks) And that was when I kissed her (everybody talks, everybody talks) Everybody talks Everybody talks... back 14. "Locked Out Of Heaven", Bruno Mars One, two, one, two, three Oh, yeah, yeah, Oh, yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah, Ooh! Oh, yeah, yeah, Oh, yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah, Ooh! Never had much faith in love or miracles Ooh! Never wanna put my heart on the line Ooh! But swimming in your water is something spiritual Ooh! I'm born again every time you spend the night Ooh! 'Cause your sex takes me to paradise Yeah, your sex takes me to paradise And it shows, yeah, yeah, yeah 'Cause you make me feel like I've been locked out of heaven For too long, for too long Yeah, you make me feel like I've been locked out of heaven For too long, for too long Oh, yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah, Ooh! Oh, yeah, yeah, Oh, yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah, Ooh! You bring me to my knees, you make me testify

You can make a sinner change his ways Open up your gates 'cause I can't wait to see the light And right there is where I wanna stay 'Cause your sex takes me to paradise Yeah, your sex takes me to paradise And it shows, yeah, yeah, yeah 'Cause you make me feel like I've been locked out of heaven For too long, for too long Yeah, you make me feel like I've been locked out of heaven For too long, for too long Oh, oh, oh, yeah, yeah, yeah Can I just stay here? Spend the rest of my days here? Oh, oh, oh, yeah, yeah, yeah Can't I just stay here? Spend the rest of my days here? 'Cause you make me feel like I've been locked out of heaven For too long, for too long Yeah, you make me feel like I've been locked out of heaven For too long, for too long Oh, yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah, Ooh! Oh, yeah, yeah, Oh, yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah, Ooh!

15. "Daylight", Maroon 5
Here I am waiting
I'll have to leave soon
Why am I holding on?
We knew this day would come
We knew it all along
How did it come so fast?
This is our last night but it's late
And I'm trying not to sleep
Cause I know, when I wake, I will have to slip away
And when the daylight comes I'll have to go
But tonight I'm gonna hold you so close
Cause in the daylight we'll be on our own
But tonight I need to hold you so close

Oh-whoa, oh-whoa, oh-whoa-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh Oh-whoa, oh-whoa, oh-whoa-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh Here I am staring at your perfection In my arms, so beautiful The sky is getting bright, the stars are burning out Somebody slow it down This is way too hard, cause I know When the sun comes up, I will leave This is my last glance that will soon be memory And when the daylight comes I'll have to go But tonight I'm gonna hold you so close Cause in the daylight we'll be on our own But tonight I need to hold you so close Oh-whoa, oh-whoa, oh-whoa-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh Oh-whoa, oh-whoa, oh-whoa-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh I never want it to stop Because I don't wanna start all over Start all over I was afraid of the dark But now it's all that I want All that I want, all that I want And when the daylight comes I'll have to go But tonight I'm gonna hold you so close Cause in the daylight we'll be on our own But tonight I need to hold you so close And when the daylight comes I'll have to go But tonight I'm gonna hold you so close Cause in the daylight we'll be on our own But tonight I need to hold you so close Oh-whoa, oh-whoa, oh-whoa-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh Oh-whoa, oh-whoa, oh-whoa-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh Oh-whoa (yeah), oh-whoa (yeah), oh-whoa (yeah), oh-oh-oh-oh-oh (yeah) Oh-whoa (yeah), oh-whoa (yeah), oh-whoa-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh

16. "Home", Phillip PhillipsHold on to me as we goAs we roll down this unfamiliar roadAnd although this wave (wave) is stringing us alongJust know you're not alone

'Cause I'm gonna make this place your home Settle down, it'll all be clear Don't pay no mind to the demons They fill you with fear The trouble—it might drag you down If you get lost, you can always be found Just know you're not alone 'Cause I'm gonna make this place your home 000-00-00-00-00-00. 00-00-00 'Cause I'm gonna make this place your home 000-00-00-00-00-00. 00-00-00 Aaa-aa-aa-aa-aa-aa. Aa-aa-aa-aaaaaa Aaa-aa-aa-aa-aa-aa. Aa-aa-aa-aaaaaa Aaa-aa-aa-aa-aa-aa. Aa-aa-aa-aaaaaa Aaa-aa-aa-aa-aa-aa. Aa-aa-aa-aaaaaa Settle down, it'll all be clear Don't pay no mind to the demons They fill you with fear The trouble it might drag you down If you get lost, you can always be found Just know you're not alone 'Cause I'm gonna make this place your home (Come on!) O00-00-00-00-00-00. A0-00-00 O00-00-00-00-00-00. A0-00-00 O00-00-00-00-00-00. A0-00-00 O00-00-00-00-00-00. A0-00-00-00 Aaa-aa-aa-aa-aa-aa. Aa-aa-aa-aaaaaa Aaa-aa-aa-aa-aa-aa. Aa-aa-aa-aaaaaa Aaa-aa-aa-aa-aa-aa. Aa-aa-aa-aaaaaa Aaa-aa-aa-aa-aa-aa. Aa-aa-aa-aaaaaa

## 17. "Let Her Go", Passenger

Well you only need the light when it's burning low Only miss the sun when it starts to snow Only know you love her when you let her go Only know you've been high when you're feeling low Only hate the road when you're missing home Only know you love her when you let her go And you let her go

Staring at the bottom of your glass Hoping one day you'll make a dream last But dreams come slow and they go so fast You see her when you close your eyes Maybe one day you'll understand why Everything you touch surely dies But you only need the light when it's burning low Only miss the sun when it starts to snow Only know you love her when you let her go Only know you've been high when you're feeling low Only hate the road when you're missing home Only know you love her when you let her go Staring at the ceiling in the dark Same old empty feeling in your heart Cause love comes slow and it goes so fast Well you see her when you fall asleep But never to touch and never to keep Cause you loved her too much and you dived too deep Well you only need the light when it's burning low Only miss the sun when it starts to snow Only know you love her when you let her go Only know you've been high when you're feeling low Only hate the road when you're missing home Only know you love her when you let her go And you let her go And you let her go Well you let her go Cause you only need the light when it's burning low Only miss the sun when it starts to snow Only know you love her when you let her go Only know you've been high when you're feeling low Only hate the road when you're missing home Only know you love her when you let her go Cause you only need the light when it's burning low Only miss the sun when it starts to snow Only know you love her when you let her go Only know you've been high when you're feeling low Only hate the road when you're missing home Only know you love her when you let her go And you let her go

18. "Maps", Maroon 5 I miss the taste of a sweeter life I miss the conversation I'm searching for a song tonight I'm changing all of the stations I like to think that we had it all We drew a map to a better place But on that road I took a fall Oh baby why did you run away? I was there for you In your darkest times I was there for you In your darkest nights But I wonder where were you? When I was at my worst Down on my knees And you said you had my back So I wonder where were you? When all the roads you took came back to me So I'm following the map that leads to you The map that leads to you Ain't nothing I can do The map that leads to you Following, following, following to you The map that leads to you Ain't nothing I can do The map that leads to you Following, following, following I hear your voice in my sleep at night Hard to resist temptation 'Cause something strange has come over me And now I can't get over you No, I just can't get over you I was there for you In your darkest times I was there for you In your darkest nights But I wonder where were you? When I was at my worst

Down on my knees And you said you had my back So I wonder where were you? When all the roads you took came back to me So I'm following the map that leads to you The map that leads to you Ain't nothing I can do The map that leads to you Following, following, following to you The map that leads to you Ain't nothing I can do The map that leads to you Oh oh oh Oh oh oh Yeah yeah yeah Oh oh oh Oh, I was there for you Oh, in your darkest time

19. "Animals", Maroon 5 Baby, I'm preying on you tonight Hunt you down eat you alive Just like animals, animals, like animals-mals Maybe you think that you can hide I can smell your scent from miles Just like animals, animals, like animals-mals Baby, I'm So what you trying to do to me It's like we can't stop we're enemies But we get along when I'm inside you You're like a drug that's killing me I cut you out entirely But I get so high when I'm inside you Yeah, you can start over, you can run free You can find other fish in the sea You can pretend it's meant to be But you can't stay away from me I can still hear you making that sound Taking me down, rolling on the ground You can pretend that it was me

But no Baby, I'm preying on you tonight Hunt you down eat you alive Just like animals, animals, like animals-mals Maybe you think that you can hide I can smell your scent from miles Just like animals, animals, like animals-mals Baby, I'm So if I run it's not enough You're still in my head forever stuck So you can do what you wanna do I love your lies, I'll eat 'em up But don't deny the animal That comes alive when I'm inside you Yeah, you can start over you can run free You can find other fish in the sea You can pretend it's meant to be But you can't stay away from me I can still hear you making that sound Taking me down rolling on the ground You can pretend that it was me But no Baby, I'm preying on you tonight Hunt you down eat you alive Just like animals, animals, like animals-mals Maybe you think that you can hide I can smell your scent from miles Just like animals, animals, like animals-mals Baby, I'm Don't tell no lie-lie-lie-lie You can't deny-ny-ny-The beast inside-side-side-side Yeah, yeah, yeah No, girl, don't lie-lie-lie You can't deny-ny-ny

20. "Love Runs Out", OneRepublicI'll be your light, your match, your burning sun,I'll be the bright, in black that's makin' you run.And we'll feel alright, and we'll feel alright,

'Cause we'll work it out, yeah, we'll work it out. I'll be doin' this, if you had a doubt, 'Til the love runs out, 'til the love runs out. I'll be your ghost, your game, your stadium. I'll be your fifty-thousand clapping like one. And I feel alright, and I feel alright, 'Cause I worked it out, yeah, I worked it out. I'll be doin' this, if you had a doubt, 'Til the love runs out, 'til the love runs out. I got my mind made up, man, I can't let go. I'm killing every second 'til it saves my soul. (Ooh) I'll be running, (Ooh) I'll be running, 'Til the love runs out, 'til the love runs out. And we'll start a fire, and we'll shut it down, 'Til the love runs out, 'til the love runs out. There's a maniac out in front of me. Got an angel on my shoulder, and Mestopheles. but mama raised me good, mama raised me right. Mama said, "Do what you want, say prayers at night," And I'm saying them, 'cause I'm so devout. 'Til the love runs out, 'til the love runs out, yeah. I got my mind made up, man, I can't let go. I'm killing every second 'til it saves my soul. (Ooh) I'll be running, (Ooh) I'll be running, 'Til the love runs out, 'til the love runs out. And we'll start a fire, and we'll shut it down, 'Til the love runs out, 'til the love runs out. Oh, we all want the same thing. Oh, we all run for something. run for God, for fate, For love, for hate, For gold, for rust, For diamonds, for dust. I'll be your light, your match, your burning sun, I'll be the bright, in black that's makin' you run. I got my mind made up, man, I can't let go. I'm killing every second 'til it saves my soul. (Ooh) I'll be running, (Ooh) I'll be running, 'Til the love runs out, 'til the love runs out. And we'll start a fire, and we'll shut it down,

'Til the love runs out, 'til the love runs out. I'll be your light, your match, your burning sun, I'll be the bright, in black that's makin' you run. And we'll feel alright, and we'll feel alright, 'Cause we'll work it out, yes, we'll work it out. And we'll start a fire, and we'll shut it down, 'Til the love runs out, 'til the love runs out. 'Til the love runs out.