English 4

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Song Project

So far this semester we have been focusing our attention on social and civil inequality. We have looked at social pressure and oppression as well as police brutality. Through our reading of articles, select book chapters and documentaries, we have seen how certain members of our society have been isolated based on their status as a minority in our country.

Your task is to find a song that brings up these issues. There are numerous artists who have used their music to address issues in our country. I would like you to find a song that does this and present it to your classmates. Here is how I would like you to complete this assignment.

Assignment Requirements:

* Find a song that discusses a social issue
* Give your classmates contexts about the song and the artist
* Play the song for your classmates and give them copies of the lyrics so they can follow along
* Go through the song with your classmates discussing how this song discusses social issues and why it is relevant to our lives today
* For this assignment I would like you to make a powerpoint with the song lyrics, pictures of the artist, and any other relevant pictures
* Your song must be school appropriate without any profanity (many songs have clean versions that would be acceptable for school)
* Please see me if you have any questions
* Make sure you presentation is in MLA format and has a work cited page.
* This assignment will be due Friday 3/1 and it will be worth 50 points.