Song Lyric Homework Assignment

**DIRECTIONS:**

1. Choose a school-appropriate song that you think reflects a character (of your choosing) from *The Great Gatsby* as portrayed so far.
2. Print the song lyrics.
3. You can either write in or type in at least 5 annotations explaining how sections of the lyrics connect to the novel. BE SPECIFIC, and **write in full sentences**.

SAMPLE: from Selena Gomez’s “The Heart Wants What It Wants”

Connection: To Abigail Williams from *The Crucible*

You got me sippin' on something  
I can't compare to nothing  
I've ever known, I'm hoping  
That after this fever I'll survive  
I know I'm acting a bit crazy  
Strung out, a little bit hazy  
Hand over heart, I'm praying  
That I'm gonna make it out alive

Abby is acting “crazy” in a number of ways, like drinking blood to try to eliminate Elizabeth Proctor so that she can be with John. She also “somewhat mentions” Elizabeth’s name in court and later accuses Goody Proctor of stabbing her with a needle. Murder is not a sane way to capture John’s heart.

The bed's getting cold and you're not here  
The future that we hold is so unclear  
But I'm not alive until you call  
And I'll bet the odds against it all  
Save your advice 'cause I won't hear  
You might be right but I don't care  
There's a million reasons why I should give you up  
But the heart wants what it wants  
The heart wants what it wants

John tries to tell Abby that their affair is over, even making it clear that he will cut off his hand before he’ll touch her again. In the movie version, he even meets her in the woods to tell her to stop the accusations. However, Abby can’t seem to stop herself in her wild actions to try to have John all to herself; she is obsessed with him.