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Album Drop

Musicians often write songs about historical events. By writing music, musicians can share people’s viewpoints about an event. They can also write songs to bring awareness to a specific topic. For example, people might not know about some of the specific battles that happened during the Civil War. Musicians writing songs about the specific battles would help listeners learn more about the events that took place. Today, you will imagine you are working with a musician who is creating a new album about the Aztec Civilization. It is your job to create a list of ten song names and descriptions about what the songs are about. You will also design an album cover.

Step 1: Read the Requirements

- Requirements for song names:
 - Include information about different events that occurred during the time period (i.e., major battles in a war, the signing of historic documents)
 - Should not be too long (most song titles are less than seven words in length)
- Requirements for descriptions of songs:
 - Teach the listener about an aspect of the historical event. (i.e., the impact women had on the war effort, the importance of a law that was passed)
 - At least 3 descriptions must use information from the sources provided on your source sheet.

Step 2: Write Song Names and Descriptions

Fill in the space below and on the next pages with your 10 song titles and descriptions.

- Song 1 Title: _____
 - Description: _____

- Song 2 Title: _____
 - Description: _____

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- Song 3 Title: _____
 - Description: _____

- Song 4 Title: _____
 - Description: _____

- Song 5 Title: _____
 - Description: _____

- Song 6 Title: _____
 - Description: _____

- Song 7 Title: _____
 - Description: _____

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- Song 8 Title: _____
 - Description: _____

- Song 9 Title: _____
 - Description: _____

- Song 10 Title: _____
 - Description: _____

Step 3: Design Your Album Cover

Design an album cover to go along with your song list. Your album cover must meet the following requirements:

- Has information about the the time period of the historical event
- Has information about what type of music the album will contain (i.e., rap, jazz, country)
- Contains both images and words that are appropriate for the topic. For example, it wouldn't be appropriate to put silly cartoons on the cover of an album talking about a war.

Use the space on the next page to draw your album cover.

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