

PV Log: (circle one) Poem / Movie / Picture / **Lyric**Date 2/8/14Title "Hey Jude"Author / Director / The Beatles

Context (Where Found / Viewed / Read?)

I've listened to The Beatles since I was a little kid, and this has always been one of my all time favorite songs

Content / CD / Summary / Precis (Say? "Plot? Setting/Situation? Key lines/phrases scenes, etc?)

This song was written for Julian Lennon immediately the divorce of his parents, John and Cynthia. Paul McCartney wrote it in the car on his way to Cynthia and Julian as means of comforting Julian and helping him get through these tough times. The song is a song of encouragement and hope, pushing "Jude" to move forward confidently and to not let anything get him down. It ends with a long series of "nah nah nah na na na nah, nah na na nah, hey Jude." The song is over 7 minutes long.

Content / CM / Meaning? / Theme(s)?

The theme of this song is looking forward and moving on. It is important to not let things get us down, and to carry on with our lives. We must remember our mistakes so that we may learn from them, not so that we may dwell on them and become depressed. Inevitably in life bad things will happen, either caused by us or caused by others. No matter what the cause of misfortune, we must do our best to help out those affected, and leave it in the past.

Form (Diction? Construction Terms? Symbolism?)

Jude was initially meant to be Julian Lennon, but nowadays, Jude is a symbol for everyone. Everybody is Jude, and the song applies to all of us. The reason this song is so popular is because it is so relatable, and it is poetic when we can put ourselves in the shoes of the subject of a song.

Commentary (What do you want to say? Why like? Questions? Synthesis / Allusions-Connections / Relevance to personal experience, to literature, 20Q's? etc.)? "Poetic" Traits?

There is a reason this song is one of my personal favorites of all time, and why I have listened to this song for as long as I can remember. This is one of those songs where the meaning is obvious. It doesn't take a Ph.D to realize that this song wants us to leave the past behind us and move on. The simplicity of this song contributes to its greatness. The song is poetic in its build up, and even more poetic when this build up is released into a passionate 4 minutes of repetition. I along with almost everybody else in the world sometimes find myself down in the dumps, not having a good day, and this song encourages me to brighten up because life is only as good as you make it, and happiness only comes with a positive attitude and desire to love and be loved.

Hey Jude

Hey Jude, don't make it bad
Take a sad song and make it better
Remember to let her into your heart
Then you can start to make it better

Hey Jude, don't be afraid
You were made to go out and get her
The minute you let her under your skin
Then you begin to make it better

And anytime you feel the pain, hey Jude, refrain
Don't carry the world upon your shoulders
For well you know that it's a fool who plays it cool
By making his world a little colder
Nah nah nah nah nah nah nah nah nah

Hey Jude, don't let me down
You have found her, now go and get her (so let it out and let it in)
Remember (hey Jude) to let her into your heart
Then you can start to make it better

So let it out and let it in, hey Jude, begin
You're waiting for someone to perform with
And don't you know that it's just you, hey Jude, you'll do
The movement you need is on your shoulder
Nah nah nah nah nah nah nah nah nah yeah

Hey Jude, don't make it bad
Take a sad song and make it better
Remember to let her under your skin (oh!)
Then you'll begin to make it
Better better better better better better, oh

Nah nah nah na na na nah, na na na nah, hey Jude [x16]