

PV Log: (circle one) Poem / Movie / Picture / **Lyric**Date 4/4/14Title "Paradise"Author / Director / Coldplay

Context (Where Found / Viewed / Read?)

Heard on the radio a few years ago

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

This song is about a little girl who has big dreams and huge hopes for her future. She wants her grown up life to be paradise. As she gets older, she realizes that there is evil in the world, and that her dreams might not work out in the future. She goes home and dreams of paradise, a perfect place that is only possible in her dreams. When the girl is all grown up, she faces much adversity and many hardships, but she dreams of paradise and hopes that one day she may end up in paradise.

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

The theme of this song is keeping dreams alive in the face of hardship and loss of innocence. This little girl faces hardships just like the rest of us, but at the end of the day, she goes home and dreams of paradise. She dreams that the world is a perfect place not needing any improvement. Paradise is a state of mind, and this girl certainly shows one can be in paradise in the mind without being in paradise on earth.

Form (Diction? Construction Terms? Symbolism?)

The girl symbolizes every child who starts out small, pure, and innocent but has to grow up to face the evils of the world. One line is "The wheel breaks the butterfly." The wheel represents the circle of life, saying that what goes around comes around and bad things happen to good people and visa versa. The butterfly represents the girl, and the wheel of life has just broken her. She is hopeless in the face of adversity, except when she dreams.

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

I like this song because it shows the circle of life in a way that everyone can relate to. We all face adversity in our lives, and we all get through it by thinking of someplace more peaceful, someplace that is happier than the place we are now. Songs become popular because people relate to them, and that is exactly what happened with this song. People often wish they could go back in time and become a child again, because those were the best years of their lives thanks to their innocence and carefree lifestyle.

over (do not mix logs; e.g., no poem log in front, and movie log on back)

Paradise

Oo-oo-oo, oo-oo-oo, oo-oo-oo.
Oo-oo-oo, oo-oo-oo, oo-oo-oo.

When she was just a girl,
She expected the world,
But it flew away from her reach,
So she ran away in her sleep.

And dreamed of para-para-paradise,
Para-para-paradise,
Para-para-paradise,
Every time she closed her eyes.

Oo-oo-oo, oo-oo-oo, oo-oo-oo.
Oo-oo-oo, oo-oo-oo, oo-oo-oo.

When she was just a girl,
She expected the world,
But it flew away from her reach,
And bullets catching her teeth.

Life goes on,
It gets so heavy,
The wheel breaks the butterfly.
Every tear, a waterfall.
In the night, the stormy night,
She closed her eyes.
In the night, the stormy night,
Away she fled.

And dream of para-para-paradise,
Para-para-paradise,
Para-para-paradise,
Whoa-oh-oh oh-oooh oh-oh-oh.

She dreamed of para-para-paradise,

Para-para-paradise,
Para-para-paradise,
Whoa-oh-oh oh-oooh oh-oh-oh.

La-la
La-la-la-la-la
La-la-la-la-la
La-la-la-la.

So lying underneath the stormy skies.
She said oh-oh-oh-oh-oh-oh.
I know the sun's set to rise.

This could be para-para-paradise,
Para-para-paradise,
Could be para-para-paradise,
Whoa-oh-oh oh-oooh oh-oh-oh.

This could be para-para-paradise,
Para-para-paradise,
Could be para-para-paradise,
Whoa-oh-oh oh-oooh oh-oh-oh.

(Oh, oh. Oo-oo-oo-oo-oo.)

This could be para-para-paradise,
Para-para-paradise,
Para-para-paradise,
Whoa-oh-oh oh-oooh oh-oh-oh.

Oo-oo-oo, oo-oo-ooo, oo-oo-oo
Oo-oo-oo, oo-oo-ooo, oo-oo-oo
Oo-oo-oo, oo-oo-ooo, oo-oo-oo
Oo-oo-oo, oo-oo-ooo...