**Soundtrack to *Romeo and Juliet* with Liner Notes (175 Points)**

Every great movie/book has a great soundtrack. The characters, themes, setting and events of William Shakespeare’s *Romeo and Juliet* could also inspire a great soundtrack. Assuming that a new film adaptation of *Romeo and Juliet* is in the works, your assignment is to create the liner notes that would accompany a potential soundtrack. Use your knowledge of the play including the characters, conflicts, setting, themes (i.e. love, hate, family, exile, youth, immaturity, etc.) to help you in putting together a killer soundtrack!

What are “liner notes”? Liner notes, also known as sleeve notes or album notes, are the writings found on the sleeves of record albums and in booklets which come inserted into the packaging for CD’s, vinyl records, and cassettes.

**Guidelines:**

* You can use any genre of music you wish. Keep it school appropriate. No Explicit versions.
* Provide a title for your album other than *Romeo and Juliet*. Also, above each song analysis, list the song name, artist, and initial year of release.
* A minimum of 3 songs must appear on your soundtrack. These need to be typed, Times New Roman 12 pt. font.

Your “playlist” should include at least three (3) songs that you feel would appropriately accompany specific scenes from the play. Your liner notes will take the form of three (3) BIG FIVE analyses and three (3) paragraphs. Each song will need:

* **A Big Five analysis** – Please refer to the Big Five cheat sheet attached and fully analyze the song. Each Big Five analysis should be in paragraph format.  Please label each section with the appropriate headings (“Who,” “What,” “How,” “How,” “How,”).  Your answers need to be as complete as possible and should be typed (12 pt. font, double spaced).
  + **(25 Points Apiece = 75 Points Total)**
* **A paragraph should accompany each song.** This is your opportunity to explain why you chose this particular song. Why do you feel that this song would play especially well in the scene(s) from *Romeo and Juliet*? Discuss the lyrics, tone, and rhythm of the song and how it would accompany the scene(s).
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Also, please include a cover for your album. Color is highly recommended. The cover should represent both your title and your playlist. **(25 Points)**

**Due: Friday, April 14, 2017**