Music CD Review Worksheet

Directions:

While listening to your chosen CD, use the outline below to help you prepare to write a music review. You do not need to address all of the suggested topics or questions, but use them as prompts in order to write an informative and thorough music review.

I. Introduction

A.Name of musician/band:

B.Name of song/CD:

C.Type of music:

D.Overall impressions:

II. Musician/Band Background

A.List of participating musicians and instruments used:

B.Background (How long have they been around? Are they well known in the music scene?):

C.Previously released CDs or songs:

D.How does this CD or song compare to others by this group or artist?

III. Songs – Give a review of at least 3 songs on the album. Use the info below to guide you.

A. Explain the meaning of the song or CD:

B. Quote some lyrics:

C. Explain how the song is a reflection of the musician or band:

D. Instrumentation

IV. Impressions and Opinions

A. Impressions after thorough listening (justify your opinion):

B.Unique elements of the song or CD:

C.Comparison to another band, song, or artist:

V. Overall rating and final comments

A.Rate on a scale of 1-10 or give a letter grade:

B.Will fans be happy or disappointed?

C.Concluding comments