Reading 7-6 Big Idea & Theme Analysis

**Directions**: working with your partner to analyze a song from the list below, find **three big ideas** that are illustrated in the song. After you find three big ideas, transform those big ideas into ***specific*** **theme statements.** In creating the theme, find and write the lyrics that support your theme of choice.

Song Choices:

“Bad Day,” by Dan Powter “Speed of Sound,” by Coldplay

“100 Years,” by Five for Fighting “Unwritten,” by Natasha Beddingfield

“Stars,” by Switchfoot “Let it Be,” by the Beatles

Song title and artist: "Let it Be" by the Beatles

**Big Idea #1:** Life

**Theme #1:** Trust that life will work itself out, and don't worry because in the end, everything will be okay and your problems will be solved.

**Lyrics to support big idea/theme #1:**

* "Let it be, let it be, let it be, let it be. There will be an answer, let it be."
* "And when the broken hearted people living in the world agree, there will be an answer, let it be"

**Big Idea #2:** Persevere

**Theme #2:** Although the obstacles thrown at you may be difficult to overcome, persevere and continue your life, because getting caught up in every rough patch in your life will prevent you from enjoying it.

**Lyrics to support big idea/theme #2:**

* "And when the night is cloudy there is still a light that shines on me, shine on until tomorrow, let it be"
* **Big Idea #3**: Wisdom

**Theme #3**: From experience and words of wisdom passed down from previous generations, you will learn to look at the big picture and not get caught up in the little obstacles in life.

**Lyrics to support big idea/theme #3:**

* "Let it be, yeah, let it be. Whisper words of wisdom, let it be"
* "When I find myself in times of trouble, Mother Mary comes to me, speaking words of wisdom, let it be"
* "And in my hour of darkness, she is standing right in front of me, speaking words of wisdom, let it be"