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HIGH
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ENGLISH
DEPARTMENT

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Ms. FISCHER
ENGLISH 2
LITERATURE
THE CATCHER
IN THE RYE



Holden's iPod

Extra Credit Assignment

Situation

The Catcher in the Rye is going to be made into a major motion picture and it's your job to create the background music. What you need to figure out is what music Holden would listen to as he wanders around Manhattan.

Assignment

1. Decide on an appropriate song Holden might have listened to. The song should:
 1. Reflect Holden's mood.
 2. Be consistent with his character / personality.
2. Find and printout the lyrics to the song that you have selected (clean version only—no curses or inappropriate references).
3. Be prepared to present the song to our class (you will need a CD copy) and:
 1. Explain why the song is appropriate for Holden.
 2. Explain what scene you imagine the song would be used in.
 3. Discuss any literary elements / techniques found in the lyrics.
4. The song and discussion should last no more than five minutes.