# **Song Analysis**

**Directions**: For each song answer the following questions. The lyrics for each song are below the questions.

- 1. What is the title of the Song?
- 2. Write a three sentence summary describing the main idea of the song.
- ${\bf 3.}$  Choose one or two phrases of the song that are interesting to you and explain

why.

- **4.** Based on the lyrics, in your opinion, what seems to be the viewpoint expressed in the song?
- 5. Is this song an accurate portrayal of WWI?

#### **Over There**

Johnnie, get your gun, Get your gun, get your gun, Take it on the run, On the run, on the run. Hear them calling, you and me, Every son of liberty. Hurry right away, No delay, go today, Make your daddy glad To have had such a lad. Tell your sweetheart not to pine, To be proud her boy's in line. (chorus sung twice) Johnnie, get your gun, Get your gun, get your gun, Johnnie show the Hun Who's a son of a gun. Hoist the flag and let her fly, Yankee Doodle do or die. Pack your little kit, Show your grit, do your bit. Yankee to the ranks. From the towns and the tanks. Make your mother proud of you, And the old Red, White and Blue.

(chorus sung twice)

#### Chorus

Over there, over there,
Send the word, send the word over
there That the Yanks are coming,
The Yanks are coming,
The drums rum-tumming

Ev'rywhere.

So prepare, say a pray'r, Send the word, send the word to

beware.

We'll be over, we're coming over, And we won't come back till it's over Over there.

## I Don't Know Where I'm Going But I'm On My Way

First Verse

Goodbye everybody I'm off to fight the foe Uncle Sammy is calling me so I must go Gee I'm feeling fine don't you wish that you were me? For I'm sailing tomorrow over the deep blue sea.

Second Verse

Take a look at me I'm a Yankee thro' and thro' I was born on July the Fourth in ninety two And I'll march away with a feather in my hat, For I'm joining the army what do you think of that? *Chorus* 

And I don't know where I'm going but I'm on my way
For I belong to the regulars I'm proud to say And I'll do my duty-uty night or day I don't know where I'm going but I'm on my way.

### Send Me Away With a Smile

Little girl don't cry
I must say goodbye
Don't you hear the bugle call?
And the fife and drum beats all
With the flag wave o'er us all
Tho I love you so
It is time to go
And the soldier in me you'll find
When on land or sea
Many boys like me
You would not have me stay behind?
Chorus:

So, send me away with a smile little girl Brush the tears from eyes of brown.

It's all for the best

And I'm off with the rest

With the boys from my hometown.

It may be forever we part little girl

But it may be for only a while.

But if fight here we must

Then in God is our trust.

So, send me away with a smile.

When I leave you dear

Give me words of cheer

To recall in times of pain.

They will come towards me

And will seem to be

Like the sunshine after rain.

Amid shot and shell

I'd remember well.

You must be a soldier too.

And through this war I am fighting

for My country, my home, and you.

Refrain:

It may be forever we part little girl But it may be for only a while. But if fight here we must Then in God is our trust. So, send me away with a smile.