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| Take Some Notes, Analyze what you see and hear. What Theme might be represented in this song? How do you know? Underline or highlight the lyrics that support your idea. |
| **Strange Fruit: Billie Holiday**Southern trees bear strange fruitBlood on the leaves and blood at the rootBlack bodies swinging in the southern breezeStrange fruit hanging from the poplar treesPastoral scene of the gallant southThe bulging eyes and the twisted mouthScent of magnolias, sweet and freshThen the sudden smell of burning fleshHere is fruit for the crows to pluckFor the rain to gather, for the wind to suckFor the sun to rot, for the trees to dropHere is a strange and bitter crop | **Notes:** | **Jena****By John Mellencamp**An all white jury hides the executioner's faceSee how we are, me and you?Everyone here needs to know their placeLet's keep this blackbird hidden in the flueOh oh oh JenaTake your nooses downSo what becomes of boys that cannot think straightParticularly those with paper bag skinYes sir, no sir, we'll wipe that smile right off your faceWe've got our rules here and you must fit in.Some day some way sanity will prevailBut who knows when that day might comeA shot in the dark, well it just might find its wayTo the hearts of those that hold the keys to kingdom come | **Notes:** |

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| **I Wonder When I Will Be Called a Man****By Big Bill Broonzy**When I was born into this world, this is what happened to meI was never called a man, and now I'm fifty-threeI wonder when will I get to be called a manDo I have to wait till I get ninety-three?When Uncle Sam called me, I knowed I'd be called a real McCoyBut I got none of this, they just called me soldier boyI wonder when will I get to be called a manDo I have to wait till I get ninety-three?When I got back from overseas, that night we had a ballNext day I met the old boss, he said "Boy get you some overalls"I wonder when will I get to be called a manDo I have to wait till I get ninety-three?I've worked on the levee camps, and axer gangs tooBlack man's a boy, don't care what he can doI wonder when will I get to be called a manDo I have to wait till I get ninety-three?They said I was uneducated, my clothes were dirty and tornNow I've got a little education, but I'm still a boy right onI wonder when will I get to be called a manDo I have to wait till I get ninety-three? | **Notes:** | **Final Conclusions:****What theme do these songs share?** **How do you know? Support yourself with evidence from the songs.****How might these songs represent a theme from the novel? Make a text-to-text connection to bring together the novel and the theme shared by these songs.**  |