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**Attached file #2 GUIDELINES**

**HOW TO COMPOSE A SONG**

Use the format below and then try singing your song while your selected music plays

**STEP 1 - verse**

The verse is usually the “story” of the song.

Create two sentences with 9 – 14 syllables.

Please remember that a syllable is a word or a part of a word)and has a short sound that can be said without interruption (for example, the word family has 3 syllables).

**Verse 1:**

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**Verse 2:**

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**STEP 2- transition**

The transition is the part of the song which connects the verse to the chorus. Please write two sentences, each 10 syllables long.

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**STEP 3 -chorus**



The chorus is the musical highlight of the song, with a catchy phrase that could give the song title. Most choruses use repetition, so you can use the same phrase more than once. Write four 8 – 10 syllable lines.

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#### **STEP 4 –The value message**

All songs have a value message. What is your song really saying?

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