

# 7 Step Song Planner

## Starting with the music

### a. Imagine

Imagine what would be happening if the music were playing in a movie or video

### b. Decide

What do you feel the lyrical theme should be?

## Starting with the lyrical theme

### 1. Outline

Write a paragraph or two of prose outlining what the song is about to keep you on track during the writing

### 2. Brainstorm

Brainstorm all associated ideas and phrases

### 4. Plan

Plan the layout of your song like a movie storyboard, with one sentence descriptions

### 3. Research

Research ideas and thoughts e.g Google quotes

### 5. Understand

Understand *why* your song exists and *how* it is going to move the listener. What is the point?

### 6. Prosody

Use prosody to determine the *feel* of the song

### 7. Write

Write the melody and the words at the same time to create a natural flow