Reflective article template

 Introduction: Lead / General Statement (to do with your main idea /meaning) Explanation / elaboration on this main idea / meaning & define your terms – what do you mean by this main idea? Citation of text(s) and author(s) AND short summary of text(s) that has to do with main idea / meaning Thematic statement – in a sentence discuss the idea you'll be dealing with 	
 Body 1 Discuss the first time you heard the song /or the first aspect of the song that sticks with you What was going on then, how did the song first appeal to you / what is it about this aspect that appeals to you Use a quote from the song that stuck with you from then. 	
 Body 2 Discuss the pros and cons – or growing with the song, what is another part of the song that speaks to you and why? Talk a little about your character / personality / values and how this song may have helped you cope or be a better version of yourself Use a quote from the song that stuck with you about that. 	

 Body 3 Discuss growing with the song another instance of listening to it differently, a third aspect that sticks with you Use another quote to show this and how you see that part of the song pros and cons – or growing with the song, what is another part of the song that speaks to you and why Start leaning toward who you are today and how the song's meaning has changed for you.
 Conclusion How has the meaning or your relationship with this song changed over the years / listens? How have you changed all this time and how has the song grown with you? Reflect on the power of music to comfort, shape, ease, etc our life, emotions, etc. Try to use the title or some other powerful technique from the song to help you wrap up – like in the model text where she talks about still being born to run In other words come full circle

NOTES: Reread your plan and add in anything here that is missing, notes to yourself about what to add.