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Context (Where Found / Viewed / Read?)

I have grown up listening to various songs by The Beatles, but "Let it Be" is one of my favorite songs by the group. I recently heard "Let it Be" on a reality singing competition, and it compelled me to do a poetic vision log on the song.

Content / CD / Summary / Precis (Say? "Plot? Setting/Situation? Key lines/phrases scenes, etc?)

"Let it Be" is about a person who, when he "finds [himself] in times of trouble," is comforted by the words of Mother Mary, who comes to him in a dream and tells him to "Let it be." The lyrics then switch from the speaker's life to the world in general, and it discusses the hope of the resolution of conflict and despair in the world. The speaker claims that peace can be achieved by simply letting conflict go and stepping into a new reality.

Content / CM / Meaning? / Theme(s)?

"Let it Be" is quite a consoling and reassuring song about the pain and problems people face in their lives. The lyrics themselves advise people not to worry or fret even when they are in their lowest state, but instead to let go and to just let life happen. Rather than worry about troubles and sad experiences that cannot be changed, the lyrics comfort the listeners by giving them a reason to move on with their lives and to accept whatever happenings and experiences that may occur. Life will run its course, and it is much simpler for someone to tolerate everything that happens than for someone to get held up on and run down by inevitable occurrences. Especially in times of desperation, the song makes the listeners know that there is still a shining light and that there will always be a better day.

Form (Diction? Construction Terms? Symbolism?)

"Let it Be" is a rock, pop song written out of inspiration of Paul McCartney's mother's death. The "Mother Mary" lyric in the song actually symbolizes the soul of Paul's mother, who appeared to him in a dream, telling him that everything would be okay if he just let it be. Thus, the lyrics are directly influenced by an involuntary figment of imagination.

Commentary (What do you want to say? Why like? Questions? Synthesis / Allusions-Connections / Relevance to personal experience, to literature, 20Q's? etc.)? "Poetic" Traits?

The simple yet encouraging and uplifting lyrics of "Let it Be" are poetic and inspiring because they raise an awareness of the possibility of a new, happier and more peaceful world. If people were to accept the fact that they have no control over their destiny and fate, they would be pleased and more satisfied with their lives. Life would be full of people who don't fight the inevitable and people who always try and go with the flow, thus maximizing their ability to live life to their fullest potential. Unfortunately, people often regret making the wrong choice or missing out on beneficial opportunities, which gives rise to melancholy and despair, but if people were able to realize that they will eventually be fine, no matter the outcome, then life would be full of optimistic believers who are hopeful for the future. It is ultimately this type of faith that carries people forward and allows them to progress.