

Date 12/14 PV Log: (circle one) Poem / Movie / Picture / LyricTitle "Titanium"Author / Director / David Guetta feat. Sia

Context (Where Found / Viewed / Read?)

Though I don't listen to it often anymore, "Titanium" used to be one of my favorite songs, and I decided to do a log on it when I was scrolling through the music on my iPhone.

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

"Titanium" is essentially about a person who has some sort of impediment, such as a mental disorder or a deranged physical appearance, that does not take any of the ridicule or scorn that he or she receives. Rather, the speaker sings, "You shoot me down but I won't fall, I am titanium" because he or she has the strength to ignore such rude people.

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

The lyrics of "Titanium" revolve around the themes of persistency, endurance, and tenacity when it comes to succeeding in life. The song is about refusing defeat and always finding the way to the top in spite of any obstacles or people that may drag one down. Life is difficult and tough, and there are so many inhibitions that can prevent one's prosperity, but these lyrics encourage the formation of an inner strength in order to combat the ruthless and demeaning people in life. The song is truly an inspiration to all people who live in fear and self-doubt of achieving their goals.

Form (Diction? Construction Terms? Symbolism?)

"Titanium" is a ballad, or a narrative form of music, that draws from the genres of pop, house, and urban-dance. In the song, titanium is a physical representation of the inner fortitude and courage that the speaker possesses, an impenetrable barrier to all of the things that prevent his or her flourishing, which is portrayed by the bullets of a gun.

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

"Titanium's" powerful and emotional message, combined with Sia's enlivenment of the lyrics through her strong and intense vocals, is what ultimately makes this song the anthem of so many people's lives. The lyrics are so realistic and relevant in terms of the cruelty and savagery that exists in the world, but they are also so motivating and empowering by evoking a sense of unbreakable courage in the mindsets of the listeners. This feeling of immunity and being indestructible is what has made this song one of my all-time favorites, as it gives me the feeling that I can accomplish anything, especially in times of doubt and despair. The message portrayed in this song is also evident in the main character of Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein*, Victor Frankenstein. Despite his ideas being put down by a professor at Ingolstadt and the fact that his motives become hazy and confused because of this, Victor breaks through the barriers that other humans put up, and he pursues his own desires. Although he doesn't necessarily achieve great things, he goes beyond the bounds of scientific knowledge and discovery, which has made all the difference. Finally, I do find the lyrics of "Titanium" considerably poetic because they advocate a "never give up" attitude. They promote people to embrace their true selves and to go after whatever may fill their goals and ambitions without letting anyone or anything get in the way.

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