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Date: _____

Evolution of Popular Music

Period: ____

Presentation – Music of the 1950s

Choose one of the musicians listed below and compose a PowerPoint presentation about their life and accomplishments. Presentations should include a Biography, a Career Overview, common Collaborators, and Social Significance. Your presentation should also include **5 Recordings**, with an analysis of two of them in terms of lyrical content, instrumentation, and rhythm/tempo.

Musicians

Fats Domino
Carl Perkins
Dean Martin
Bo Diddley

Bill Haley
Big Joe Turner
Jerry Lee Lewis
Bing Crosby

Buddy Holly
The Big Bopper
June Carter
Frankie Laine

Ritchie Valens
Big Mama Thornton
Slim Whitman
Patti Page

Presentations should be 20-25 minutes long. (Don't panic – most of that time will be taken up by the five recordings)

My presentation is due _____.

Checklist

Be sure to include all of the following in your presentation:

Biography (~150 words) _____

Career Overview (~150 words) _____

Collaborators (a simple list is fine) _____

Social Significance (~150 words) _____

Five recordings _____

- Analysis of two recordings, including:
 - Lyrical content _____
 - Instrumentation _____
 - Rhythm/tempo _____