The Sweetest Taboo - Sade

Sade (real name Helen Folasade Adu) was born January 16, 1959. She is a British singer whose music mixes soul, funk and jazz. She was popular in the 1980s and early 1990s. Her biggest hits were "Smooth Operator" and "No Ordinary Love". The worksheet is about "The Sweetest Taboo", a love song which deals with a forbidden relationship.

Link to the song, which begins at 0:45.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kcPc18SG6uA&ab_channel=SadeVEVO

1. Fill in the gaps in the lyrics. There are six missing words.

FIRST VERSE

If I tell you

If I tell you now

Will you keep on

Will you keep on loving me

If I tell you

If I tell you how I _____

Will you keep bringing out the best in me.

CHORUS

You give me, you give me the sweetest taboo

You give me, you're giving me the sweetest taboo

Too good for me.

There's a quiet storm

And it's never felt like this before

There's a quiet storm

That is you

There's a quiet storm

And it never felt this hot before

Giving me something that's taboo

You give me the sweetest taboo

That's why I'm in _____ with you

You give me the sweetest taboo

SECOND VERSE

I'd do anything for you, I'd stand out in the _____

Anything you want me to do, don't let it slip _____

There's a quiet storm

And it never felt like this before

There's a quiet storm

I think it's you

There's a quiet storm

And I never felt this hot before

Giving me something that's taboo

CHORUS

You give me the (you give me, you give me the) sweetest taboo

That's why I'm in love with you (with you)

You give me, keep giving me the sweetest taboo

THIRD VERSE

You've got the biggest heart

Sometimes I think you're just too _____ for me

Every day is _____, and every night is New Year's Eve

Will you keep on loving me

Will you keep on, will you keep on
Bringing out the best in me

2. Match the song vocabulary to the definition.

- Storm
- To bring out the best in someone
- Verse
- Chorus
- To keep on
- Taboo
- Forbidden

- A part of a song that is repeated between verses.
- Making someone show their best qualities.
- Something that is not allowed or banned.
- Something that is not acceptable to talk about or do.
- A part of a song which usually changes
- To continue doing something.
- When there is violent weather, usually with a lot of rain, snow, and often strong winds.

Why did I choose this song?

It still sounds good today despite being over thirty years old.

Sade has a soulful, beautiful voice.

I like the lyrics and the beat.