

Moment of Surrender (U2)

Part 1 – Listening Worksheet

 **Instructions:** Listen to the song and complete each activity. Each stanza has a different task.

Stanza 1 – Match the sentence beginnings (1–4) with the correct endings (A–D).

1. I tied myself with wire
2. Playing with the fire
3. The stone was semi-precious
4. Two souls too smart to be

- A. until the fire played with me
- B. in the realm of certainty
- C. to let the horses run free
- D. we were barely conscious

Stanza 2 – Complete the gaps with the missing words.

Even on our _____ day
We set ourselves on _____
Oh God, do not _____ her
It's not if I believe in _____
If love believes in _____

Stanza 3 – **Put the lines in order:** Number the lines (1–4) in the order you hear them.

- At the moment of surrender
- I folded to my knees
- I did not notice the passers-by
- And they did not notice me

Stanzas 4, 5 and 6 – **Multiple choice.** Click on the words you hear.

1. I've been in every **black hole / cold night / dark place**
2. At the altar of the **dark star / black sun / night sky**
3. My body's now a **begging bowl / broken shell / empty space**
4. That's begging to get back to my **heart / past / mind**
5. And to the rhythm of my **soul / body / mind**
6. And to the rhythm of my **unconsciousness / memory / silence**
7. To the rhythm that yearns to be released from **control / pain / fear**
8. I was punching in the numbers at the **ATM / phone / ticket** machine
9. I could see in the **reflection / shadow / distance**
10. A face staring back at **me / him / us**

Part 2 – Understanding Meaning & Themes

General understanding

Choose the best answer.

The song is mainly about:

- A. A perfect love story
- B. Emotional collapse and surrender
- C. Religious traditions
- D. Daily city life

Themes

Match the theme with its explanation.

- A. Love
 - B. Loss of control
 - C. Isolation
 - D. Surrender
1. Feeling invisible among other people
 2. Letting go after reaching breaking point
 3. A powerful force that can hurt
 4. Allowing emotions to take over

Part 3 – Metaphors & Vocabulary

Match the metaphor with its meaning.

1. Fire
 2. Horses
 3. Black hole
 4. Begging bowl
 5. ATM / numbers
- A. Emotional emptiness
 - B. Passion that becomes destructive
 - C. Routine modern life
 - D. Raw emotions and instincts
 - E. Being completely drained

Reflection

What does “*the moment of surrender*” mean to you?