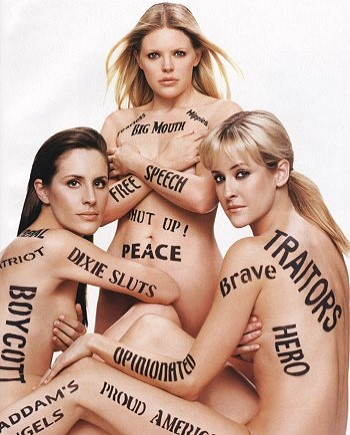
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1. Please watch the video for “Not Ready to Make Nice” by the Dixie Chicks. List all the images that you think are symbols and then briefly explain what you think they symbolize

**“Not Ready To Make Nice” The Dixie Chicks**  
Forgive, sounds good  
Forget, I’m not sure I could  
They say time heals everything  
But I’m still waiting  
  
I’m through with doubt  
There’s nothing left for me to figure out  
I’ve paid a price  
And I’ll keep paying

Chorus:

I’m not ready to make nice  
I’m not ready to back down   
I’m still mad as hell and   
I don’t have time to go round and round and round  
It’s too late to make it right  
I probably wouldn’t if I could  
‘Cause I’m mad as hell  
Can’t bring myself to do what it is you think I should  
  
I know you said  
Can’t you just get over it  
It turned my whole world aroundAnd I kind of like it  
I made my bed and I sleep like a baby  
With no regrets and I don’t mind sayin’  
It’s a sad sad story when a mother will teach her  
Daughter that she ought to hate a perfect stranger  
And how in the world can the words that I said  
Send somebody so over the edge  
That they’d write me a letter  
Sayin’ that I better shut up and sing  
Or my life will be over  
  
Chorus (x2)

Forgive, sounds good  
Forget, I’m not sure I could  
They say time heals everything  
But I’m still waiting

2. “Mad as hell” is an example of a

a. hyperbole b. alliteration c. symbol d. free verse

3. “I made my bed” is an example of

a. alliteration b. rhyme c. cliché d. simile

4. “Not ready to make nice” is a metaphor for:

a. being friendly b. apologizing c. giving up d. hesitating

5. Sleep like baby is an example of

a. personification b. metaphor c. simile d. allusion

6. “paid a price” is an example of

a. personification b. alliteration c. simile d. metaphor

While listening to the poem below, identify as many poetic devices as you can by circling and writing in margins

“P.O.W” By Alicia Keys  
I'm a prisoner  
Of words unsaid  
Just lonely feelings  
Locked away in my head  
  
I trap myself further  
Every time I stay quiet  
I should start to speak  
But I stop and stay silent   
And now I've made  
My own hard bed  
Inside a prison of words unsaid   
I am a P.O.W.   
  
Not a prisoner of war   
A prisoner of words   
Like a soldier  
I'm a fighter  
Yet only a puppet  
Mostly I only say  
What you wanna hear  
Could you take it if I came clear?   
Or would you rather see me  
Stoned on a drug of complacency and compromise  
M.I.A.  
  
I guess that's what I am  
Scraping this cold earth  
For a piece of myself  
For peace in myself  
It'd be easier if you put me in jail  
If you locked me away  
I'd have someone to blame  
But these bars of steel are of my making  
They surround my mindAnd have me shaking  
My hands are cuffed behind my back  
I'm a prisoner of the worst kind, in fact  
A prisoner of compromise  
  
A prisoner of compassion  
A prisoner of kindness  
A prisoner of expectation  
A prisoner of my youth  
Run too fast to be old  
I've forgotten what I was told  
Ain't I a sight to behold?  
A prisoner of age dying to be young  
To my head is my hand with a gun  
And it's cold and it's hard  
Cause there's nowhere to run  
When you've caged yourself  
By holding your tongue  
I'm a prisoner  
Of words unsaid  
Just lonely feelings  
Locked away in my head  
It's like solitary confinement  
Every time I stay quiet  
I should start to speak  
But I stop and stay silent  
And now I've made  
My own hard bed  
Inside a prison of words unsaid

2. Identify the theme of either Not Ready to Make Nice or POW.

-Remember to write a full theme statement.

-List 2 quotes that support the theme and explain how they back it up.

Theme statement:

Quote 1 to support:

Quote 2 to support: