Theme: Heaven & Hell

Alternating K-pop and (generously defined) emo music

Sub-distribution: 4 artists, 3 common links, 2 songs, 1 album

Aimed for 7 to 8 lines

1. **This group’s 2018 album was packaged with fragrance test strips, matching the concept for that album. That album was the last Korean-language album by this group before the departure of two members, one for declaring epilepsy as part of an illegal military exemption scheme, and the other leaving this group one day after announcing his return to Twitch,** where he had previously insulted other idols during a drunk livestream. This group earned their first music show win with a song whose music video’s clean version leaves out depictions of stapled skin, glass embedded in skin, and X-ed out eyes. Other high-concept releases by this group include a cyborg-themed song, the music video to which depicts a dead woman reconstructed as a cyborg with uploaded memories. For 10 points, name this group behind strongly thematic releases including “Error,” “Shangri-La,” and “Voodoo Doll.”

ANSWER: **VIXX**

2. **In a song from this band’s first album, the singer reads a note where “There’s not a word that I comprehend / Except when you signed it “I will love you always and forever.”” A happier song by this band is set as “another sun-soaked season fades away,” and this band’s 2020 album of hits was titled for a line in that song, “the best one of the best ones.”** This band sang the first track of the soundtrack album to *Spider-Man 2* which plays over the film’s end credits. MJ’s engagement in *Spider-Man 2* inspired a line by this band about “the diamond in your ring / cut to mirror your intention” in that song, which also claims “I am flawed / But I am cleaning up so well.” This band’s most popular song asks, “So won’t you kill me, so I die happy?” on “the best day I can ever remember.” For 10 points, name this band behind “Vindicated” and “Hands Down.”

ANSWER: **Dashboard Confessional**

3. **At the start of this music video, a man who holds a slingshot is hit on the head by a man who covers his eyes as the music begins. That imagery is repeated in this music video when that man is blindfolded by the same man, and the blindfold is tied to a door that opens onto a balcony, which opens onto a view of Pieter Bruegel’s** *The Fall of Icarus* and from which another man earlier jumped. The blindfold is removed during the climax of this music video, revealing green tears of paint, like the paint that splashes around a man sitting in front of Michelangelo’s *Pietà*. Bruegel’s *The Fall of the Rebel Angels* attracts the attention of a man who stares into a mirror below a quote from *Thus Spoke Zarathustra* as his skin cracks at the end of this music video. This music video is interrupted by spoken words beginning “He too, was a tempter” from Hermann Hesse’s *Demian*. For 10 points, give this music video by BTS for the title track of *Wings*.

ANSWER: “**Blood Sweat & Tears”**

4. **The 20th anniversary message for this album begins “Bands don’t succeed. Just statistically.” This album, titled for a line from a Munro Leaf book, originally had a first track partly titled for David Ruffin. The third single from this album originally replaced the two proper nouns in its title with Molly Ringwald and Samantha Fox.** Another track from this album with a movie-inspired title asks “Can I lay in your bed all day?” while another that asks to “turn off the lights and turn off the shyness” has a *Casablanca*-inspired title. The lead single from this album was almost scrapped by Island Records, which believed “the chorus was too wordy and the guitars too heavy and that the radio wasn’t going to play it” for lines like “a loaded god complex cock it and pull it.” For 10 points, name this Fall Out Boy album including “Sugar, We’re Goin Down.”

ANSWER: ***From Under the Cork Tree***

5. **The first song from this *studio* album to be performed on 인기가요 asks a woman to “never wilt” for their “selfish self.” In the music video to that song from this album, a syringe squirting white paint and carnivorous plants are used as metaphors for sex that creates an infant for a man who styled his hair in the shape of the band’s lightsticks** and wore mismatched colored lenses.The music video to another song from this album shows each member partying or acting drunk in front of a store sign that includes their name. The last song to be revealed from this album contains a spoken part, that when backmasked, says “Sorry, it’s not you, it’s me.” Those words are spoken between a woman’s voice whispering “넌 항상 그래” and “이기적인 새끼” on “Let’s Not Fall In Love.” For 10 points, name this album released over four single albums each named for one letter by Big Bang.

ANSWER: ***MADE***

6. **In a 2019 article reflecting on the album this song appeared on, Christopher Weingarten compared this track to The Beatles’ “Let It Be” and Ozzy Osbourne’s “So Tired” and argued its influence on a later song, “Goner.” The band behind “Goner” covered this song for *Rock Sound*’s tribute album celebrating the 10th anniversary** of the album this song appears on. That cover of this song by Twenty One Pilots added synthesizers and other electronic sounds, unlike the original song’s simple instrumentation of drums, violins, and piano. This song, which ends with the line “the hardest part of this is leaving you,” is sung from the first-person perspective of The Patient, the focus of the album *The Black Parade*. For 10 points, name this song where Gerard Way sings, “Baby I’m just soggy from the chemo.”

ANSWER: “**Cancer”**

7. **This artist’s most recent album’s cover mimics this artist’s first album’s cover, replacing white and green for orange and green. A song by this artist describes “meeting an unfamiliar vision of myself” at the titular time period and its music video follows two people until they meet** in the early morning. That song by this artist ends with the line “You are my pride.” A song written by this artist resurged on the charts in December 2017 and was performed as a special during the 32nd Golden Disc Awards. That song written by this artist is sung by Lee Hi. In January 2018, Poet | Artist, this artist’s final album, was posthumously released by SM Entertainment. The lyrics to “Our Page” were written about this artist by his former band members. For 10 points, name this now-deceased member of SHINee.

ANSWER: **Jonghyun**

8. **The only current member of this band from its initial formation in 1997 is Sean Mackin, who has cited Itzhak Perlman as an influential composer on his work. To commemorate the 20th anniversary of their major-label debut album, this band toured in 2023 with Mayday Parade and Story of the Year. This band announced their break up** in 2016 after releasing an eponymous album, but reunited in 2022 at Riot Fest in Chicago. This band is recognizable for their unique use of violin in works including “Always Summer” and “For You, And Your Denial.” The chorus to a hit by this band opens “Here I go / scream my lungs out and try to get to you” and appears on the same album as this band’s most famous song, which mentions the titular location and “a place on the corner of Cherry Street.” For 10 points, name this band behind “Only One” and “Ocean Avenue.”

ANSWER: **Yellowcard**

9. **In one music video, a member of this group is pinned down by yarn by robots, in a parody of Gulliver. Some scenes in that music video show this group with backup dancers on pink and white Escher-esque staircases. In one music video, a member of this group appears to accidentally drop a poisoned drink** while another member fires a rifle at a woman who had previously loaded it with a real bullet. In another music video, this group runs down a hill and on a beach with floating balls of fur, which one member of this group first sees in a vent in their home. In that music video, this group finds the footprint of a creature that “broke our window” and “roared at my family.” That titular creature that “made me jump” and “appeared in my dreams when I was young” is shown in the water, like the Loch Ness monster. For 10 points, “Dinosaur” is by what singer-songwriter duo of siblings?

ANSWER: **AKMU**

10. **Verse 2 of one song which suggests you “search your shelf for something with which to hang yourself” ends with this word. A song that asks “why do things that matter the most never end up being what we chose?” is partly titled for this word and opens with the line “everybody’s got their problems.”** That song that states “part of me, won’t agree / ‘cause I don’t know if it’s for sure” is by Sum 41 and is titled “The [this word] Song.” Another song partly titled for this word says that “I’d rather rage than sit around and wait all day” and that “all I want is to mess around.” Another song partly titled for this word is directed to someone who has a “sad, sad look” that they “wear so well.” That song asks that person, “Now where’s your picket fence love?” For 10 points, a song by The All-American Rejects hopes seeing their face gives you what?

ANSWER: **Hell**

11. *Description acceptable*. **One song of this type was released by 가인 and 조권 during their run on *We Got Married*. Another song of this type mentions “feeling stuffy inside” from “white glutinous rice cakes” and was sung by the members of Weki Meki, HelloVenus, and Astro. From 2010 to 2016, artists from Jellyfish Entertainment** released a song of this type together, the 2013 version of which compares a woman to “an actress who doesn’t know the scene” and the singer to a “man about to propose.” In that song of this type, a confession is motivated by seeing a certain first event of the year. In the music video of a Lovelyz song of this type titled “Twinkle,” Yein is seen writing a card. An IU song of this type is titled for prematurely celebrating a holiday associated with these songs. For 10 points, name these songs that often mention white snow and presents, generally released in December.

ANSWER: **Christmas music**

12. **A song partly titled for this time period was thought to allude to a suicide, but the songwriter clarified the line “from so many thousands of feet off the ground” is about the view from a plane, not heaven. In that song partly titled for this time period featuring Juliet Simms, the singer “falls to his knees”** while doing the title action, “but two eggs don’t last / like the feeling of what he needs.” That song from *So Wrong, It’s Right* is titled “Remembering [this time period].” A song by a band partly named for this time period responds to a rival band’s diss track by saying “all I did was what I had to” and “best friends means you get what you deserve.” That song is from *Tell All Your Friends*, the debut album of a band partly named for this time period. For 10 points, “There’s No ‘I’ in Team” and “Cute Without The ‘E’” is by the band, Taking Back [what time period]?

ANSWER: **Sunday**

13. **A song titled for this color by 볼빨간사춘기 is the second track off of *Red Diary Page.1* and says “right now the color of my mind is [this color].” During music show performances of a song titled for this color, G-Dragon would swap the colors of his beanie and bangs. That song titled for this color begins its chorus with the line,** “winter passes, and spring has come” and being “tamed” by tears and sadness of this color. That song titled for this color is the first song to be released from Big Bang’s 2012 album *Alive*. A song partly titled for this color was inspired by the singer and her boyfriend’s texts to each other, and the primary focus of its lyrics is a flower that does not naturally occur in this color. That song partly titled for this color is one of the title tracks from *Love poem* by IU. For 10 points, name this color of an iPhone user’s texts to another iPhone user.

ANSWER: **Blue**

14. **Greg James originated a game inspired by this song that was played on *The BBC Radio 1 Breakfast Show*. While the band does the most memorable act from this song’s music video, they pass a banana to each other, make a two-pointer, and interrupt a kissing couple. Those guys pause in that action in this song’s music video during a cameo appearance by Janine Lindemulder.** This song’s music video also features the shows *Talk Soup* and *The Last Word with Jim Rome*. This song’s singer felt honored by a line from this song often being used on fans’ birthday cakes, which in the song’s final chorus is modified to a line about taking “themselves so seriously.” Among the non-title questions asked by this song are “What the hell is ADD?” and “What the hell is call ID?” For 10 points, “Nobody likes you when you’re 23” according to what blink-182 song?

ANSWER: “**What’s My Age Again?”**

15. **During the promotion of this group’s 2014 album *Season 2*, one member’s choreography was forced to change due to a broken arm from the Idol Star Athletics Championships. That title track by this group is titled for the “Last” of a Shakespeare character. On a Music Bank stage for their 2012 hit, this group began the stage by tearing through paper screens as the opening** sirens of the song played. In another unfortunate music show stage, this group threw bricks through a window for a performance of a song from their 2015 album *Reality*. That song features the obsessive, clingy lyrics signature to this group starting with their 2011 title track “Be Mine.” Before the departure of Hoya, the last title track promoted by this group was “The Eye.” For 10 points, name this idol group formerly under Woollim Entertainment and rivals to Teen Top.

ANSWER: **Infinite**

16. **Along with blink-182 and Green Day, Josh Martin of The Wonder Years included this band in “the top three pop-punk bands of all time.” The name of a subgenre of pop punk was coined by this band’s 2008 tour with A Day to Remember and Four Year Strong, which itself was named as a pun on “hardcore.” An album by this band that exemplifies that subgenre contains a song from which All Time Low** took their name and the song “The Story So Far.” A more famous song from that album by this band claims “it’s my fault that it fell apart” about a girl who was “everything I wanted.” This band’s debut studio album named after a Robert Frost poem contains a track whose chorus asks, “Have I waited too long?” For 10 points, name this band behind “My Friends Over You” and “Hit Or Miss.”

ANSWER: **New Found Glory**

17. **On the show *Infinite Challenge*, a team with 유재석 used GFriend’s “Me Gustas Tu” for one of these events. “Three People” by 성시경 opens during one of these events, where the narrator says goodbye to something he “rehearsed saying every day” and sees his “youth leaving him behind”** in the form of old college friends. In the music video to BTOB’s “Pray,” a woman who betrays Minhyuk attends an informal one of these events. In a 2009 music video fixated on one of these events, a man envisions a woman’s face across a table before beginning to play a piano. At the end of that music video, the singer drops an object central to this type of event. “‘Cause you should be my lady” is the second line of a chorus of a song about this event. For 10 points, what event is central to a Taeyang song where in the music video, he plays a best man?

ANSWER: **Wedding**

18. **This man appears in a music video where yellow roses sit as the centerpiece on a table with a cake reading “Happy Birthday Baby.” In that music video, the music starts as this man checks a text reading “See ya in 10 baby x” to which he replies, “Make it 30.” This man also appears in a different artist’s music video that begins with a snake** slithering over pastel colored bricks. In that video, this artist’s first line is “Please calm down” in French. In his verse in that music video, this artist jumps off a balcony to grab an umbrella. For a music video of a version of this artist’s song, he plays a white piano while increasingly messier objects fall on him. The music video to that song by this artist shows a coil of rope under a shirt opened by surgeons, who chase after this man as he sings of “the fear of falling apart.” For 10 points, name this man who became the sole member behind Panic! At The Disco.

ANSWER: Brendon **Urie** [prompt on Panic! At The Disco]

19. **A clock stopped at 9:35 in its music video is one reason this song is often speculated to be about a 2014 tragedy, along with ribbons wrapped around a carousel. The music video of this song ends a chorus outro to the album version of this song as the singers walk across a snowy field. In this song’s music video, the music begins with a train horn,** and a man leaves a train to walk into an inn with a “No Vacancy” sign while singing of his heart running “alone on the Snowpiercer.” That man and another man who raps in this song while atop a giant pile of clothes are shown standing in front of a neon sign reading “Omelas.” During this song’s last chorus, cherry petals fly in the music video, signalling the arrival of the song’s title event. For 10 points, name this title track from *You Never Walk Alone*, a song hoping for the end of winter.

ANSWER: “**Spring Day”**

20. **In one song by The Maine, “just yesterday” the singer is “north of” a city in this state when he “couldn’t help but think of you.” In another song, the singer recalls “begging for change to get home / or at least” a city in this state. In that song, the singer states “all I ask” is to be this state’s “best” and that he will “wake up with the fondest memories”** after taking this state’s “sunrise with me.” In a song titled for a city in this state, the singer recalls how “we bought a one way ticket so we could go see the Cure” and thinks of “every person I ever lost” in that city in this state. That song’s hook starts with the line, “I can’t sleep ‘cause what if I dream / of going back to” a city in this state. That song is from an album titled for this state, which was the first by its band to feature Matt Skiba. For 10 points, name this state which titles a 2016 album by blink-182 featuring tracks titled “Wildfire” and “San Diego.”

ANSWER: **California**