

# “BLACKBIRD” / “BLACKBIIRD”

The Beatles (1968)

Beyoncé featuring Tanner Adell, Brittney Spencer, Tiera Kennedy, and Reyna Roberts (2024)

Blackbird singing in the dead of night

Take these broken wings and learn to fly

All your life

You were only waiting for this moment to arise

Blackbird singing in the dead of night

Take these sunken eyes and learn to see

All your life

You were only waiting for this moment to be free

Blackbird fly, blackbird fly

Into the light of the dark black night

Blackbird fly, blackbird fly

Into the light of the dark black night

Blackbird singing in the dead of night

Take these broken wings and learn to fly

All your life

You were only waiting for this moment to arise

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1. What is the overall tone of the song?

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2. What do you think the song is about?

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3. What could the blackbird represent?

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**You will answer the following questions at a later time.**

4. After learning more context about the song, how has your overall interpretation of the tone of the song changed?

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5. Which version of the song do you like better? Explain why.

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*The Beatles. (1968). Blackbird [Song]. On The Beatles. Apple.*

*Beyoncé. (2024). Blackbird [Song]. On Cowboy Carter. Parkwood, Columbia.*

