# Frankie Valli: A Legend in Music

**Grade Level: 6-8** 

Time: ~20 minutes

**Objective:** Analyze Frankie Valli's contributions to music and the cultural impact of The Four

Seasons.

#### **NJSLS Alignment:**

• English Language Arts: RL.6-8.2 (Determine the theme of a text)

• Music: 1.2.8.C.2 (Analyze the role of music in shaping culture)

#### **Instructions for Students**

#### Step 1: Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons (5 min)

Frankie Valli's voice became one of the most **recognizable sounds** of the 1960s. As the lead singer of **The Four Seasons**, he helped create timeless classics like *Sherry*, *Rag Doll*, and *Walk Like a Man*. Valli and the band had success not just in the 1960s but continued to influence pop music long after.

## X Key Fact:

In 1990, Frankie Valli's group, **The Four Seasons**, was inducted into the **Rock and Roll Hall of Fame** for their influence on the music world.

## Quick Question:

Why do you think **music from the 1960s**, especially songs by The Four Seasons, is still loved today? Write 3-4 sentences.

### **Step 2: The Power of Music (10 min)**

# **Your Challenge:**

- Think about how **music** can inspire people, just like Frankie Valli's songs have inspired generations.
- Write a 1-paragraph essay about how music brings people together. Consider what kind
  of emotions you feel when you hear your favorite songs, and explain how music affects
  society.

### Think About:

- How does **music** influence **culture**?
- Why do people continue to listen to the same songs over time?

### Step 3: Be Inspired! (5 min)

Frankie Valli once said:

"You've got to do what you love. If you love what you do, it shows."

# **Write long about:**

What do you love doing? How can you share your passion or **talent** with others?

Want to learn more about Frankie Valli and his legacy? Visit the New Jersey Hall of Fame at American Dream for more!