

Frank Sinatra: The Voice That Defined a Generation

Grade Level: 3-5

Time: ~20 minutes

Objective:

Students will learn about Frank Sinatra's journey, his impact on music, and the importance of perseverance.

NJSLS Alignment:

- **English Language Arts:** RL.3-5.2 (Determine central ideas and themes in a text)
 - **Social Studies:** 6.1.5.C.14 (Understand how individuals contribute to culture)
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Step 1: Meet Frank Sinatra (5 min)

Frank Sinatra was born in **Hoboken, New Jersey**, and became one of the greatest singers of all time. But before he became famous, he was just a boy with a dream and a **big voice**.



Fun Fact:

Frank Sinatra was known as "**Ol' Blue Eyes**" because of his striking eye color!



Quick Question:

What do you think it takes to become a great singer? Write 2-3 sentences.



Step 2: The Music Makes the Legend (10 min)

Your Challenge:

- Listen to (or read the lyrics of) "*Fly Me to the Moon*" or "*New York, New York*."
- How do these songs make you feel? Do they tell a story?
- Write 2-3 sentences about a song that makes you feel happy or inspired.

Think About:

- Why do you think Sinatra's music is still played today?

- How does music bring people together?
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Step 3: Be Inspired! (5 min)

Frank Sinatra never gave up on his dreams. His music still **inspires people all over the world**.



Write a paragraph about:

If you could be great at anything—singing, sports, art—what would it be? How would you work toward your goal?



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