

English

English with music

The Joker and the Queen (Ed Sheeran and Taylor Swift)

1. Listen to the song The Joker and the Queen by Ed Sheeran and Taylor Swift and summarise what the song is about.

(<https://youtu.be/2qzcHLyv3N0>)

Students own answer

2. Now listen again and complete the lyrics below

The Joker and the Queen

How was I to **know**? It's a crazy thing  
I showed you my hand and you still let me **win**  
And who was I to say, that this was meant to be?  
The road that was **broken**, brought us together.

And I know, you could fall for a **thousand** kings  
And **hearts** that would give you a diamond ring  
When I **fold**, you see the best in me  
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I've been **played** before  
If you hadn't guessed  
So I kept my cards close to my **fool proved** vest  
But you called my bluff  
(But you called my bluff)  
And saw through all my tells  
(And saw through all my tells)  
And then you went all in  
And we left **together**

And I know, you think that what makes a **king**  
is gold, a **palace** and **diamond** rings  
When I fold, you see the best in me  
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And I know, you could **fall** for a thousand kings  
And hearts that would give you a diamond ring  
When I folded, you **saw** the best in me  
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3. What do you call the following four suits?



diamonds



hearts



spades



clubs

4. Name the four cards below.



Joker



Jack



Queen



King

5. Match the card game terminologies with the correct definition.

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|---------------------|---|--|
| a) cut the deck     | 6 | 1. increase the amount of money in a game of poker |
| b) hand             | 8 | 2. to distribute cards to each player              |
| c) deal             | 2 | 3. to disprove someone's challenge                 |
| d) raise the stakes | 1 | 4. to win a round                                  |
| e) win a hand       | 4 | 5. to discard one's hand                           |
| f) Poker face       | 7 | 6. to split the deck of cards in two packages      |
| g) call my bluff    | 3 | 7. a facial expression that cannot be interpreted  |
| h) fold             | 5 | 8. the cards held in a game of poker               |

6. The song The Joker and The Queen shows many references to the card game Poker. Go through the lyrics (Task 1) again and find them.

- kings
- hand
- win
- hearts
- diamond
- fold
- Joker
- Queen
- called my bluff