

examples of allusion in song lyrics

Title: "Love story"

Artist: Taylor Swift

Example of allusion: "That you were Romeo, you were throwing pebbles/and my daddy said 'stay away from Juliet'"

Title: "One Thing"

Artist: One Direction

Example of Allusion: "shot me out of the sky, you're my kryptonite, you keep making me weak yeah frozen and can't speak"

Title: Alice

Artist: Avril Lavigne

Example: I found myself in wonderland/ get back on my feet again. Is this real? Is it pretend? I'll take start until end.

Title: Viva la Vida

Artist: Coldplay

Example: I hear jerusalem bells a ringing. Roman cavalry choirs are singing. Be my mirror, my sword and shield. My missionaries in a foreign field

Title: Your Love

Artist: Nicki Minaj

Lyric: Anyway I think I met him some time before, in a different life of where I record. I mean he was Adam, I think I was Eve but my vision ends with an apple on the tree...

Song: "Say something"

Artist: Drake

Example: "You shoulda been here to kick it with me we coulda split this whole thing up 50/50, the ever so talented Mr. Ripley"

Artist: Shania Twain

Title: "That Don't Impress Me Much"

Example: "Okay, so you're Brad Pitt?/That don't impress me much/so you've got the looks but have you got the touch?.."

Artist: Jay Z

Title: Empire State of Mind

Example: "I'ma up at Brooklyn, now I'm down in Tribeca right next to De Niro, but I'll be hood forever I'm the new Sinatra, and since I made it here I can make it anywhere, yeah, they love me everywhere."

Artist: Macklemore

Song: Wings

"I was trying to fly without leaving the ground, Cause I wanted to be like Mike, right, wanted to be him, I wanted to be that guy, I wanted to touch the rim"

Artist: Kanye West

Title: Through the Wire

Example: "I look like Tom Cruise on Vanilla Sky's, it was televised I was in an accident like Geico."

Artist: Escape the Fate

Song: Live Fast, Die Beautiful

Example: "She flicks lit cigarettes, Burning holes in her clothes, just like some messed up version of Marilyn Monroe."