

Lyrics of We Didn't Start The Fire by Fall Out Boy

VERSE

Captain Planet, Arab Spring, L.A. riots, Rodney King
 Deep fakes, earthquakes, Iceland volcano
 Oklahoma City bomb, Kurt Cobain, Pokémon
 Tiger Woods, MySpace, Monsanto, GMOs
 Harry Potter, Twilight, Michael Jackson dies
 Nuclear accident, Fukushima, Japan
 Crimean Peninsula, Cambridge Analytica
 Kim Jong Un, Robert Downey Jr., Iron Man

CHORUS

We didn't start the fire
 It was always burning since the world's been turning
 We didn't start the fire
 No, we didn't light it, but we're trying to fight it

VERSE

More war in Afghanistan, Cubs go all the way again
 Obama, Spielberg, explosion, Lebanon
 Unabomber, Bobbitt, John, bombing Boston Marathon
 Balloon Boy, War on Terror, QAnon
 Trump gets impeached twice, Polar bears got no ice
 Fyre Fest, Black Parade, Michael Phelps, Y2K
 Boris Johnson, Brexit, Kanye West and Taylor Swift
 Stranger Things, Tiger King, Ever Given, Suez

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Sandy Hook, Columbine, Sandra Bland and Tamir Rice
 ISIS, LeBron James, Shinzo Abe blown away
 Meghan Markle, George Floyd, Burj Khalifa, Metroid
 Fermi paradox, Venus and Serena
 Oh-oh-oh, Michael Jordan, 23, YouTube killed MTV
 SpongeBob, Golden State Killer got caught
 Michael Jordan, 45, Woodstock '99
 Keaton, Batman, Bush v. Gore, I can't take it anymore

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Elon Musk, Kaepernick, Texas failed electric grid
Jeff Bezos, climate change, white rhino goes extinct
Great Pacific Garbage Patch, Tom DeLonge and aliens
Mars rover, Avatar, self-driving electric cars
SSRI's, Prince and The Queen die
World trade, second plane, what else do I have to say?

CHORUS

We didn't start the fire (we didn't start it)
It was always burning since the world's been turning (oh)
We didn't start the fire (we didn't start it)
But when we are gone, it will still go on (oh-yeah)

OUTRO

And on, and on, and on, and on
And on, and on, and on
We didn't start the fire (fire)
It was always burning since the world's been turning

Writer(s): Billy Joel

Task: mini-research project

- Pick 1-3 people or events from the song that you want to learn more about
- Do some research and create some slides to share with the class
 1. Summary (Who/What/Where/When/Why/How)
 2. Significance Analysis: Why was this event or person included? (*big impact, lead to something else, part of the narrative, new or novel, reveals something... refer to your criteria sheet*)
 3. Continuity & Change Analysis: is this event or person part of a pattern of the era? Or do they mark a change? Is the change positive or negative? What event or person can they be compared to today, or historically, to help us better understand them?
 4. Cause & Consequence Analysis: what were the causes of this event? What happened next? Were there any unintended, or long-lasting effects?
 5. Perspective Analysis: are there different perspectives towards this person or event? What historical context do we need to know in order to better understand the point of view of those involved?
- Slides should have text in point form and include a relevant image (picture, poster, cartoon etc. and you can explain why you chose to include it)
- You must have a slide that shows your sources and your CRAAP evaluation.