

## "Ea" Analysis Worksheet

Read and listen to the chorus of a song by *Sudden Rush* entitled, "Ea". Then, answer the questions below. (Note: A glossary of Hawaiian words is provided.)

### **"Ea" by Sudden Rush** (chorus)

To all my people tell me what you want, *Ea!*  
Hawaiians tell me what you need, *Ea!*  
Trying to take what the *kanaka maoli* got, *Ea!*  
Just to satisfy the government's greed, 'A'ole!  
Hawaiians tell me what you want, *Ea!*  
*Kanaka Maoli* tell me what you need, *Ea!*  
We must never forget what our *kupuna* taught.  
*Ea* even if I have to bleed.

### **Glossary of Hawaiian Words**

'a'ole – no, not, never

**Ea** – sovereignty, rule, independence

**heiau** – pre-Christian place of worship, shrine

**ka'a** – car

**wa'a** – canoe

**Kanaka maoli** – Native Hawaiian

**kupuna** – grandparent, ancestor

**mana** – supernatural or divine power,  
power, authority

### **Answer the following questions:**

1. To whom is the song addressed?
2. Who do you think wrote the song?
3. What points are being made in the song?
4. What is the tone of the song?
5. What might have motivated someone to write this song?