

Handout 2 - "La Bamba" Listening Template

	Version 1: Traditional	Version 2: Ritchie Valens, 1958
Instrumentation What instruments do you hear? Which are emphasized? In what order do you hear them?		
Vocals What is the style of singing? How would you describe the singer's voice?		
Mood What kind of mood does the song create? How does it make you feel?		
Tempo Is the song fast, slow, or something in between?		
Beat/Percussion Does the song have a strong beat? Does it make you want to move in some way?		
Lyrics What language are they in? Can they be easily understood? What basic ideas do they convey?		
Sounds Like Does the song remind you of any other songs you've heard? Be specific.		