

Sounds of Change: The Beat Generation

Listen to the 4 music samples. As you listen, jot down your notes in the space provided. Consider the following for each song:

- **Tempo** – Does it stay the same, does it switch up (get faster, slower)? Is it hard or easy to follow?
- **Instruments** – Do any sounds stand out, or seem to take over the song? What do you hear?
- **Energy** – How do you feel as you listen? Does the music seem calm or more active and peppy? How might people dance to this?
- **Structure** – Does the song stay pretty much the same in terms of the pacing, notes, and instruments? Does it change? Is it predictable or a little erratic? Is formal or informal?

<p>1. "Buttons & Bows" – Dinah Shore</p> <p>Notes:</p> <p>Overall Impression:</p>	<p>2. "Someone to Watch Over Me" – Frank Sinatra</p> <p>Notes:</p> <p>Overall Impression:</p>
<p>3. "Salt Peanuts" – Dizzy Gillespie</p> <p>Notes:</p> <p>Overall Impression:</p>	<p>4. "Thrivin' on a Riff" – Charlie Parker</p> <p>Notes:</p> <p>Overall Impression:</p>

Discuss your findings with your partner – Did you have similar reactions to these pieces? What were some of the things you both noticed? Can you come to any agreement on these songs? If you had to group the songs into pairs, which ones would go together? Explain why. Use the space below for your notes.