# Elvis Presley’s Graceland Lesson Plans

**I can statement:** I can ... understand how Elvis Presley’s music impacted cultural and I can write an informational text on Elvis and the merging of music and cultures.

**Essential Question:** How did the advent of Elvis Presley’s rock ‘n’ roll music bring about significant changes in our culture?

**Teachable Moment:**

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| **Standard:** 7.1.04 Culture | **Focus Lesson:**  
TIW ask the essential question: Elvis Presley is the single most significant figure in rock ‘n’ roll history. Elvis completely revolutionized music and his influence changed the entertainment industry. By 1955 Elvis had gone from a local to national music sensation. Elvis’ music was set into motion and dominated the world for the rest of the century. This was the beginning of youth culture and the end of racial segregation. In 1954, Elvis recorded his first single, became the birth of rock ‘n’ roll. This changed music and pop culture forever. Elvis Presley’s music merged strands of blues, country, and gospel into a fiercely dynamic sound that ignited a musical and cultural explosion which is still being felt today.  
**W 7.2**  
Write informative texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content. | [Race, Rock, and Elvis](#)  
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[Elvis From A-Z](#)  
By: Fred Worth | Book:  
[God’s Works Through Elvis](#)  
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