

Folk Rock





* Folk rock = a combination of folk music & rock (basically folk music with a rock beat)

* Became popular starting in the mid-1960's

* Folk rock topics usually had some kind of a cultural or social issue message & had strong vocal harmonies

* The primary instrument of folk rock was the guitar





* Folk Rock can be broken down further in sub-groups like country folk, electric folk & English folk

* For our purposes "folk rock" will refer to the American folk rock scene

* Folk rock was more acoustic than electric

* And it gave rise to the singer-song writer, very important!



* Experimental use of drugs was not uncommon

* Some folk rock artists that will be covered will include
Bob Dylan, Joan Baez & Simon & Garfunkel

* There are other folk rock artists but way too many to cover
(list of artists will be offered at the end of unit)


