

'50s Rock 'n' Roll Study Unit

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Chapter 4: The New Sound is Named – “Rock ‘n’ Roll”

Important Terms & Names

1) How were the terms “rock” and “roll” used in English literature prior to the 1800s?

2) How did gospel songs or spirituals use the terms in a religious context?

3) What new meaning was given to the terms in race music in the 1920s and '30s?

4) Why was “Rock ‘n’ Roll” used as an on-air substitute for “Rhythm & Blues”?

5) What radio personality first substituted the term? Where was his radio station located?