

The Copperopolis song:

So far, we have a chorus. Listen to the backing track with “rough” guide vox.

- Have a try at writing your own lyrics or write down key words or phrases that you think could be included in the verses.

Below are the 4 verses to be written:

St Josephs to write about:

Verse 01 - The Copperopolis industry

The raw materials – where they come from how they got there
The process of smelting and rolling and pounding the copper
The noises the smells the heat etc
The end product and how it is transported out

Verse 03 - The Copperopolis pollution

All the chimneys
The smoke
The sulphur in the air
The farmlands destroyed
The sickness
The rivers being toxic
The barren hills
The slag heaps

Pontarddulais to write about:

Verse 02 - The Copperopolis Workers and owners

Who worked there?
Who owned their houses?
What were the working conditions?
What did they eat and drink?
What was the relationship like between them and the wealthy owners?

Verse 04 - The Copperopolis world market and importance

Just how important was Copperopolis to the world
How big was the manufacture
What were they using the copper for?
How was it transported?

Chorus:

Copperopolis - fires burning
Copperopolis - the world knows your name
Copperopolis - hills are dying
Copperopolis - rivers sighing
Copperopolis - shining in your shame

The break at the end is:

copper - copper come before the world
copper – copper, copper in my soul
copper - copper come before the world

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