**I am a Rock- Paul Simon**  Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

I am a Rock

A winter’s day I

In a deep and dark December

I am alone,

Gazing from my window To the streets below

 On a freshly fallen, silent shroud of snow

 I am a rock

 I am an island

I’ve built walls

 A fortress, steep and mighty

That none may penetrate

 I have no need of friendship

Friendship, causes pain.

It’s laughter and it’s loving I disdain.

I am a rock

I am an island

Don’t talk of love

 Well, I’ve heard the words before

It’s sleeping in my memory

And I won’t disturb the slumber

Of feelings that have died

 If I never loved,

 I never would have cried

I am a rock

I am an island

I have my books

 And my poetry to protect me

I am shielded in my armor

 Hiding in my room Safe within my womb

I touch no one and no one touches me

 I am a rock

 I am an island

And a rock feels no pain

 And an island never cries

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