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**Taylor Swift Lyrics Analysis**

Directions: First, read the lyrics and listen to the song. Then, answer the close reading questions.

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| The way you move is like a full-on rainstormAnd I'm a house of cardsYou're the kind of recklessThat should send me runnin'But I kinda know that I won't get farAnd you stood there in front of meJust close enough to touchClose enough to hope you couldn't seeWhat I was thinking ofDrop everything nowMeet me in the pouring rainKiss me on the sidewalkTake away the pain'Cause I see sparks fly whenever you smileGet me with those green eyes, baby, as the lights go downGive me something that'll haunt me when you're not around'Cause I see sparks fly whenever you smileMy mind forgets to remind meYou're a bad ideaYou touch me once and it's really something,You find I'm even better than you imagined I would be.I'm on my guard for the rest of the worldBut with you I know it's no goodAnd I could wait patiently but I really wish you would... | Drop everything nowMeet me in the pouring rainKiss me on the sidewalkTake away the pain'Cause I see sparks fly whenever you smileGet me with those green eyes, baby, as the lights go downGive me something that'll haunt me when you're not around'Cause I see sparks fly whenever you smileI'll run my fingers through your hair and watch the lights go wild.Just keep on keeping your eyes on me, it's just wrong enough to make it feel right.And lead me up the staircaseWon't you whisper soft and slow?I'm captivated by you, baby, like a firework show.Drop everything now,Meet me in the pouring rain,Kiss me on the sidewalk,Take away the pain'Cause I see sparks fly whenever you smile.Get me with those green eyes, baby, as the lights go downGive me something that'll haunt me when you're not around'Cause I see sparks fly whenever you smileAnd the sparks fly...Oh, baby, smile...And the sparks fly... |

1. In what way(s) do Taylor’s lyrics *reinforce* gender stereotypes? **Use 2 DQs** to support your answer.
2. Do you (personally) blame Taylor for reinforcing these stereotypes? Why or why not?