

PLAGIARISM IN MUSIC

Cases of Plagiarism in Music

Choose two or three of the articles below to read. Copy and paste the link into your Internet browser, or click on the link to open it. Also, if you choose, you can find another article about plagiarism in music on the Internet.

As you read, think about why the musician is accused of plagiarism or cheating. What do you think of these cases? Do you think the musicians are guilty of copying other musicians' music? Or are there other issues going on here? What do you think?

Mariah Carey accused of Plagiarism

<http://www.foxnews.com/story/2004/08/10/mariah-carey-accused-plagiarism.html>

George Harrison and the Chiffons

<http://performingsongwriter.com/george-harrison-my-sweet-lord/>

Coldplay Plagiarism Case

<http://www.rollingstone.com/music/news/joe-satriani-sues-coldplay-for-viva-la-vida-plagiarism-20081205>

<http://www.theguardian.com/music/2009/sep/16/coldplay-joe-satriani-lawsuit-dismissed>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UvB9Pj9Znsw>

Black-Eyed Peas

<http://www.aceshowbiz.com/news/view/w0000706.html>

Taylor Smith Sued

<http://www.bbc.com/news/entertainment-arts-34692465>

When you finish reading, participate in a discussion about these plagiarism cases.