



Music trivia

1 Put the words in the correct order to make phrases about music. Add hyphens, if necessary.

1. best / artist / selling best-selling artist
2. video / winning / award _____
3. performer / often / downloaded _____
4. priced / high / ticket _____
5. group / named / oddly _____
6. singers / well / known _____
7. breaking / hit / record _____
8. nice / voice / sounding _____

2 Complete the webpage with the phrases from Exercise 1.

Jake and Jill's Music Awards

Hello fans! Here's today's music news from your favorite music fans!

- Sting, a best-selling artist ¹ from the 1980s, and his wife started the Rainforest Concert in 1991. They have the concert every two years. This year, performer ², like Elton John and Bruce Springsteen, performed. Tickets were \$2,500 or more! That's a highly priced ³, but all of the money helps save rain forests around the world.
- Listen to *Yellow Fever*! It's a great album by Señor Coconut and His Orchestra. Yes, this is a very oddly named ⁴ (señor is a Spanish word, but Señor Coconut is actually German), but we think each singer has a very nice sounding ⁵!
- Who is the most often downloaded ⁶ on our website? Taylor Swift! Her song "Love Story" has been downloaded over 4 million times, and the video won the Country Music Association Award for Best Music Video in 2009. To listen to her video ⁷, [click here](#). To watch her award-winning ⁸, [click here](#).

- 3** Complete the sentences with the correct forms of the words in parentheses.
Use the past passive.

We Are the World



Kenny Rogers and Lionel Richie

"We Are the World" was recorded¹ (record) in 1985.

The money it made ² (give) to groups
that help hungry people in Africa. The song

 ³ (write) by Michael Jackson and Lionel
Richie. Many famous singers, like Kenny Rogers, Bob Dylan, and

Stevie Wonder, ⁴ (ask) to sing it.

A video ⁵ (make) while the singers were recording the song. The song
and video ⁶ (play) on TV in the spring of 1985.

In 2010, "We Are the World" ⁷ (record) again with new singers to help
the people of Haiti. The song ⁸ (sing) by over 80 well-known musicians,
like Justin Bieber and Jennifer Hudson. It ⁹ (see) on TV by many people
on February 12.

- 4** Rewrite each sentence in the past passive. If there is information about
who did the action, use a *by* phrase.

1. Four men planned the Woodstock Festival in 1969.

The Woodstock Festival was planned by four men in 1969.

2. Someone asked many well-known singers to sing at Woodstock.

3. Someone gave information about the festival on the radio.

4. Someone allowed about 400,000 to 500,000 music fans into the festival.

5. People made a documentary about Woodstock in 1970.

6. *Rolling Stone* magazine listed Woodstock as one of "50 Moments that Changed the
History of Rock and Roll."

- 5** Look at the chart of some record-breaking hits. Then answer the questions.
Use the past passive.

Song	Singer(s)	Year of release	Millions of recordings sold
Candle in the Wind	Elton John	1997	37
White Christmas	Bing Crosby	1942	30
We Are the World	Many musicians	1985	20
Rock Around the Clock	Bill Haley and his Comets	1954	17
I Want to Hold Your Hand	The Beatles	1963	12
Hey Jude	The Beatles	1968	10
It's Now or Never	Elvis Presley	1960	10
I Will Always Love You	Whitney Houston	1992	10

- Who was "It's Now or Never" sung by? It was sung by Elvis Presley.
- When was "White Christmas" released? _____
- Who were "I Want to Hold Your Hand" and "Hey Jude" sung by? _____
- How many recordings of "We Are the World" were sold? _____
- What song was released in 1954? _____
- What song was sung by Elton John? _____
- How many recordings of "I Will Always Love You" were sold? _____
- When was "Hey Jude" released? _____

- 6** Answer the questions with your own information. Write complete sentences.

Example: My favorite song was "Candle in the Wind."

- What was your favorite song when you were 12? _____
- Who was it sung by? _____
- What kind of music was it? _____
- Was a video made of the song? What was it like? _____
- Was the singer or group well known? _____
- Is the singer or group well known today? _____
- Did you ever go to a concert of the singer or group? Where was it? _____
- Was a documentary ever made about the singer or group? What was it called? _____

B

The first thing you do is . . .

Rewrite the instructions. Use the words in the box.

A.

How to Buy a Song

1. Find the song you want, and click on it.
2. Enter your credit card number.
3. Read the information, and click "Yes."

After that ✓First To finish

How to Buy a Song

First, find the song you want, and click on it.

B.

How to Listen to Music on Your Phone

1. Open your music program.
2. Choose the song you want to listen to.
3. Click "Play."

The last thing you do is Then To start

How to Listen to Music on Your Phone



C.

How to Record Your Voice

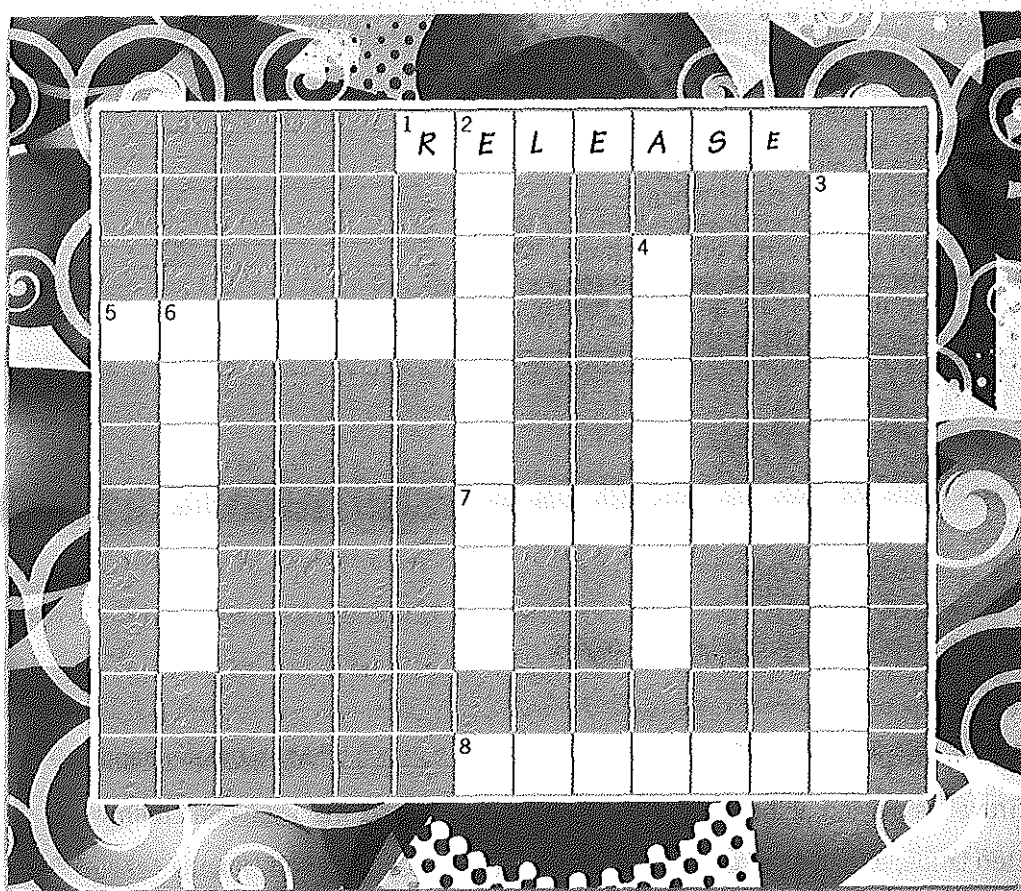
1. Put the recorder near you.
2. Hit the "Record" button.
3. Sing a song or speak into the recorder.

Finally Next The first thing you do is

How to Record Your Voice

1 Complete the sentences and the puzzle with the correct verbs.**Across**

1. My favorite band will _____ a new album next week.
5. Justin Bieber sang the song "My World," but he didn't _____ it.
Usher was one of the producers.
7. Coldplay will _____ their tour dates on their website.
8. Beethoven couldn't hear anything, but he was able to _____ great music.
Many people listen to his music today, almost 200 years after he died.

**Down**

2. Lady Gaga likes to _____ her audience in her concerts.
3. I can't sing very well, but I really _____ music. I listen to it all the time.
4. Do you know when your brother's band is going to _____ their new song?
I really would like to go see his band.
6. We're going to _____ our new song in the studio next week.
They have new computers we can use.

2 Circle the correct word to complete each sentence.

1. Beethoven's Fifth Symphony is my favorite musical compose / composition.
2. My favorite band released / a release a new album yesterday.
3. My uncle produces / production songs, but he can't sing or play an instrument.
4. Jonathan found one of his father's old record / recordings.
5. Wendy loves to go to perform / performances at music festivals.
6. My sister likes to entertain / entertainment our family.
7. The band made an announce / announcement about their tour yesterday.
8. What time does the produce / production of *Hamlet* start?

3 Answer the questions with your own information. Write complete sentences.

Example: My favorite kind of entertainment is the movies.

1. What's your favorite kind of entertainment? _____
2. Have you ever taken a music class? When? _____
3. Have you ever heard your favorite singer perform? Where? _____
4. Have you ever been to a party for an album release? Where? _____
5. What kind of music do you appreciate? _____

4 Complete the email with *yet* or *already*.

To: Lee1988@cup.org
From: JJJ@cup.com
Subject: Do you have plans on Friday night?

Hey Leel!

Have you made plans for Friday night yet ¹ ? My brother's band, Time Travel, is playing at the Music Café. I've ² seen them about ten times, and they're great! Have you listened to the CD I sent you ³ ? I've ⁴ bought tickets for my sister and me, but I haven't gotten a ticket for you ⁵ . Let me know if you want to go. Tickets aren't high-priced. They're only \$10. Time Travel has ⁶ started recording their next CD. It hasn't been released ⁷ , but they might play a few songs from it on Friday. I hope you can come!

Jay

- 5** Look at Carla's To-Do list. Then write sentences about what she has and hasn't done. Use the present perfect with yet or already.

To Do

Send Jen and Sandra information about the Coldplay concert ✓

Call Sandra and Jen about tickets to see Coldplay ✓

Buy the tickets ✓

Clean the house

Go to the airport to pick up Jen and Sandra

1. Carla has already sent Jen and Sandra information about the Coldplay concert.

2. She

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

- 6** Look at Jen and Sandra's To-Do list. Then write questions and answers about what they have and haven't done. Use the present perfect with yet or already.

To Do

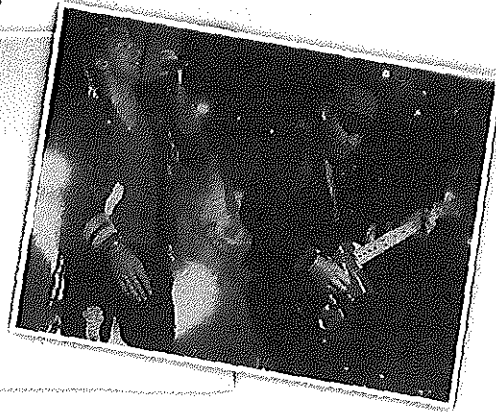
Do the laundry ✓

Clean the apartment ✓

Listen to Coldplay's new songs

Give our parents Carla's cell phone number ✓

Pay Carla for the tickets



1. Question: Have Jen and Sandra done the laundry yet?

Answer: Yes, they have already done the laundry.

2. Q: Have they

A: _____

3. Q: _____

A: _____

4. Q: _____

A: _____

5. Q: _____

A: _____

- 1 Read the article. Then write why musicians don't want people to give music to their friends.

Music Laws

Today, many people get their music from the Internet. But is it legal? It depends on how you get the music and what country you live in. It's sometimes OK, but it's often against the law.

It is usually legal to buy songs from websites on the Internet. If you buy a song, you can make a copy for yourself. However, in the United States and some other countries, it is illegal to make copies of the song for your friends. This is because laws protect people's ideas and work. If everyone copied and gave music to their friends, people would not buy the singers' albums, and musicians couldn't make money for their work.

Also, in many countries it's illegal to *bootleg* music. This is a word that describes when people go to a live performance, record the music, and then upload the music to the Internet to give to their friends or to sell. Sometimes at concerts musicians perform new songs before they are recorded in a studio. They don't want their music released on the Internet before their albums are sold.

Some people *sample* music when they compose songs. This means they use a part of someone else's song in their music. This is often done in hip-hop music. Sampling is usually legal if you have permission from the singer, but it is usually not OK to use someone else's music without permission.

Interesting Music Trivia

- In 1990, part of a David Bowie song was sampled by Vanilla Ice without permission. After the song was released, Vanilla Ice had to pay David Bowie a lot of money for using his music.
- In 1999, Napster was created as a way to get music from friends without paying for it on the Internet. Napster had to stop doing this in the United States, and now people have to pay for the music.



- 2 Read the article. Then write L (legal – OK) or I (illegal – not OK) for these actions according to the laws in the United States.

1. You can buy songs on the Internet from websites. L
2. You can get a song for free from a friend.
3. You can bootleg music from a live performance.
4. You can sample music without permission.