10 interesting facts about Bob Marley. Very little is known about the man except for his love for reggae music or that he used to smoke marijuana.  
  
**Bob Marley.**  
  
**1. He was nicknamed "White Boy".**  
  
Bob’s father was a 50-year-old white British naval captain named Norval  Sinclair Marley. Bob’s mom was a black country village girl named Cedella.  
  
Bob Marley was born on February 6, 1945, in St. Ann Parish, Jamaica.   
  
Because of his mixed racial makeup,  Bob was bullied and derogatorily nicknamed “White Boy” by his neighbors.  However, he later said the experience helped him develop this  philosophy: I’m not on the white man’s side, or the black man’s side.  I’m on God’s side.”

**2. He was a palm reader when he was young.**  
  
As a little kid, Bob had a knack for deeply spooking people by successfully predicting their futures by reading their palms.  
  
**3**. **His band, The Wailers**, was originally named The Teenagers. Bob and the  band were once fired from a tour because they were more popular than the  act they opened for.

**4 .Besides music, he fondly lives in the heart of million through his inspiring quotes, most of which are relevant to the modern-day world.**

[Bob Marley Quotes](http://www.engtuto.com/bob-marley-quotes)

“when love is real nobody can end it" LOVES IS A KEY that someone has to open your heart”

“And no matter what game they play We got something they can never take away”

“beginnings are usually scary, and endings are usually sad, but its everything in between that makes it all worth living.”

“Better to die fighting for freedom than be a prisoner all the days of your life”

“Bob Marley isn't my name. I don't even know my name yet.”

**5.  Marley and his wife Rita:**  
  
Bob, who at twenty-one married a beautiful Trenchtown Sunday school teacher named Rita and stayed married to her until  his death. He adopted her daughter and they had four children together  during their marriage. Marley also had at least eight more children with  eight different women.  
  
Although Rita was heartbroken by her husband's actions, she still supported him till the last breath.

**6. Bob Marley and Marijuana.**  
  
In short, Bob Marley smoked marijuana because he practiced the Rastafarian religion, wherein the use of "ganja" (the Rastafarian term for marijuana, taken from an old Sanskrit word) is a holy sacrament.  
   
Bob Marley did not use cannabis recreationally, and did not see its use as a  casual matter. He viewed marijuana as a holy rite, much as Catholics  view Holy Communion or some Native Americans view ceremonial usage of peyote.  
  
 Viewing himself as a holy person (as do all  Rastafarians), Marley strongly believed that marijuana opened up a  spiritual door which allowed him to become the artist and poet he was.

**7. When Bob discovered that the reason he was still poor**after being so  famous for so long was that his long-time manager and friend Don Taylor  had been robbing him blind, Bob beat Don to within an inch of his life. *Then* he fired him.  
  
**8. His indomitable spirit.**  
  
Bob performed a free concert for 80,000 attendees in Jamaica days after  he was shot. He survived the armed assassination and took to the stage  two days later where he proclaimed:  “The people who are trying to make  this world worse aren’t taking a day off.  How can I?

**9. Marley's ride.**  
  
For a long time Bob drove a BMW—which, as far as he was concerned, stood for Bob Marley and the Wailers.  
  
**10. Marley's death.**  
  
He was a professional level soccer player.  
  
A 1977 football injury led doctors to discover a malignant melanoma in  Marley’s toe. They recommended amputation, but he refused for religious  reasons. The tumour then spread, which ultimately caused his death.