



Live Lesson Notes

MUSIC



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POSSIBLE IELTS QUESTIONS on this topic

Part 1

Do you like to listen to music?

Do you play a musical instrument?

What kind of music do you listen to?

Part 2

Describe a singer or a band that you like

Part 3

Music and children

Is music useful for children?

Should children be forced to learn music at school?

Are there any disadvantages of music being a subject at school?

Music industry

Is music an art form?

How has the music industry changed in recent years?

How will the way we access music change in the future?

Some useful Links

26 Genres of Music in Alphabetical Order

https://youtu.be/A_ZatuoalP0

Lyrics Training is a game-based approach to *learning English with song lyrics*.

<https://lyricstraining.com>

A great introduction to *instruments of the orchestra* and you can actually listen to the sounds of each one. If you are a parent, great to teach your kids with too.

<https://www.mydso.com/dso-kids/learn-and-listen/instruments>

The best and most complete list of *Music* vocabulary you will find on the Internet.

<https://www.englishclub.com/vocabulary/music-vocabulary.htm>

VOCABULARY AND EXPRESSIONS

Music (uncountable noun)

Note:

You **cannot** say, 'I like many musics' **X**

You should say 'I like many **kinds of music**' 

Musicians (person) - amateur / professional

Musical (adj.) - instruments / family / expression

Musical (n.) - Broadway / popular

Favourite artists / singer / singer songwriter / band / group

Types of music

Pop

Rap - Hip Hop

Alternative - Indie

Blues

Rock

Country

Jazz

Classical - opera - film soundtracks

Ways to say LIKE

I am a big fan of jazz

I am really into jazz

I am one for jazz

I can't get enough of jazz

I really dig jazz

I am passionate about jazz

I hate musicals

I can't stand musicals

I can't be doing with musicals

I have unusual taste in music

Ways to say GOOD AT

I have a flair for playing the guitar

I have a knack for playing the violin

My friends say I am talented at the violin

I am quite handy with the violin

Useful Vocabulary

Lyrics (Pl. n.)

Lyrical (adj.)

Instruments (n.)

Melody (n.) - captivating, bouncy, up-beat, catchy

Melodious (adj.)

Harmony (n.)

Rhythm (the beat). Catchy, up-beat, slow, lazy

Acoustic (adj.) guitar

They played acoustic (play unplugged)

Acoustics (n. Pl)

The acoustics in this concert hall are fantastic / out of this world!

Catchy (adj.) - song, melody, tune

Melodious (adj). Voice

Up-beat - lively, fast-paced

Idiomatic expressions

It's **going for a song** (=cheap)

It's **music to my ears** (=good news)

We have to **face the music** (=face a difficult situation you have created)

Blow your own trumpet (praise yourself, brag, boast)