

Total English

Pre-intermediate

All about music

Find out more about music on the internet. Go online and type in www.bbc.co.uk.

- 1 Click on **music** on the left side of the homepage. In the middle of this page, you will see a box called **artist search**. Type in **Robbie Williams** and then answer the following questions:
 - 1 Click on **biography**: when was Robbie Williams born?
 - 2 What was his first album called?
 - 3 Which song reached number one in September 1998?
 - 4 Who did he record *Somethin' Stupid* with?
 - 5 What was the name of his biography published in 2004?
- 2 Go back to the home page and this time type in **Coldplay** to the artist search. Answer the following questions:
 - 1 Click on **discography**: what are the names of the albums published in the following years?
a 2000 _____ b 2002 _____ c 2003 _____
 - 2 Click on [profiles on bbc.co.uk.music](http://profiles.on.bbc.co.uk.music) and find out which adjective is used to describe Coldplay's rock music?
 - 3 Where did the group meet?
 - 4 Which charity campaign do they support?
 - 5 Has one of their songs ever featured in an advertisement?
- 3 Go back to the home page and this time type in **Mozart** to the artist search. Select **Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart** and answer the following questions:
 - 1 Click on **biography**: Which Royal families did Mozart play to?
 - 2 How old was he when he first started composing?
 - 3 When did he start composing piano concertos so that he could appear both as composer and soloist?
 - 4 Which piece of music was unfinished when he died?
- 4 Choose a musician that you like and type them into the artist search. Write five facts about them.



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TEACHER'S NOTES:

Aim: to use the information on the internet to further develop the theme of music. This worksheet is designed to be used in conjunction with unit 2.

Time: 40 minutes maximum

Materials: photocopies of the worksheet for each student.

- 1 Check that students arrive at the correct part of the website to find out the information. Check answers with the class.

Answers: 1 13th February 1974 2 *Life Thru a Lens* 3 *Millennium*
4 Nicole Kidman 5 *Feel*

- 2 Check students can find the correct part of the site. If they are having difficulties remind them to go back to the music home page and to type in Coldplay. Check answers with the class.

Answers: 1 a 2000 *Parachutes* b 2002 *A Rush of Blood to the Head*
c 2003 *A Tribute to Coldplay* 2 poetic 3 At the University College
London (UCL) 4 Oxfam's 'Make Trade Fair' campaign 5 no

- 3 Once again direct students back to the music home page. Check answers with the class.

Answers: 1 French and English 2 five years old 3 1782 4 *Requiem*

- 4 This exercise allows students the freedom to investigate a topic of interest. At the end, encourage students to swap their information about their preferred musician with their partner.

