

Why do People Like to Listen to Music? BBC school report.

Do you have a song that brings the feeling of nostalgia? Do you like how music can bring people together? How there a song for everything? How certain songs can decide how you feel.

Concerts, festivals and constant awards. Music is everywhere. Enjoyed by anyone and everyone. Music events are enjoyed with friends and family all over the world. Bringing people closer together. I went to a Take That concert with my mum and my aunty, the atmosphere was brilliant. The songs made everyone jump up and down, no one sat down! It felt like everyone was family, even the strangers that we had never met before. We even found some new friends sitting on the row behind us that a couple hours before we even didn't know. It just goes to show that people can bond over the love of music, which is crazy if you think about it. Who knows your future best friend could be the other side of the country but could love a band just as much as you...

Have you ever heard a song that conjures up a certain feeling? It's usually from our childhood. When I was a baby my dad used to sing songs to me like *Sweet Child'o Mine* and *When a Child Was Born* and I can still remember all the lyrics still to this day. When I hear *Sweet Child'o Mine*, I always break into song and if my dad is near we do a mini duet together and dance until the song is over. It doesn't matter where we are or what we're doing we just sing like no one's watching. We're usually doing chores, which dad makes me do.



The greatest thing about music is that it can be enjoyed anywhere. I like to listen to music when I get ready and on the way to school. These are the places where most people choose to watch music, in the car (25%), on TV (73%), at work (15%) or while doing chores (15%), we spend big chunks of our time listening to music. People listen to music for different reason like maybe there bored or upset.

Now a days there are songs for everyone, to make you happy or can make you feel sad, one of my favourite quotes about music is: “when you’re happy you listen to music and when you’re sad you understand the lyrics”- Frank Ocean. I think this is true, if you’re going through hard time’s lots of people turn to music to make them feel better. You can listen to sad songs that can make you feel sad or can make you feel really lucky that you’re not in their position but on the other hand you can listen to really upbeat music that can help you feel happier. Also little tip: if you listen to music while you study then when you take the test listen to the same song and it should help you remember. There are lot of music apps that stream music from like ‘Spotify’. These types of apps actually make it more accessible to listen to free music.

I thought I’d ask a few of my friend’s what they like about music. ‘I like that music can help you relax and make you feel really happy’ – Nicola

‘I like to listen to music because it’s relaxing to listen to and it brings the family together at night when we watch The Voice.’ – Eva.

So I conclusion many people like to listen to music because it relaxes them and they can bond with their family. I like to listen to music because it can remind me of memories. Isn’t music a magical part of life?

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