

(18) FAMILY AND MUSIC

ACTIVITY 1: Read about the Montaner family and answer the questions TRUE or FALSE



Héctor Eduardo Reglero Montaner (born September 8, 1957), better known as **Ricardo Montaner**, is an Argentine-Venezuelan singer and songwriter. Since starting his career in the late 1970s, he has already released more than 24 albums, and many successful singles. He has sold an estimated sales of 100 million records worldwide, making him one of the best-selling Latin music artists.

Montaner is married to Marlene Rodríguez Miranda, the daughter of shareholder and owner of the former Venezuelan record company Sonorodven, where Montaner started his career. He has three children with Marlene: Ricardo Montaner, Mauricio Montaner and Evaluna Montaner. He also has two older sons from a previous marriage with Ana Vaz: Alejandro Reglero, and Héctor Reglero Jr.. All of them are singers.

Evaluna Montaner, actress, Youtuber and singer. Evaluna was born in Caracas, Venezuela. She later settled with her family in Miami, Florida, United States. Since childhood she has learned piano, harp and various types of dance. She has lived in Venezuela, Colombia, Italy and the United States. In 2020, she married her boyfriend of five years, the Colombian singer Camilo Echeverry.

Mauricio and Ricardo are in a band together, **Mau & Ricky**, a Venezuelan Latin pop and reggaeton duo. As composers, they have written songs for several singers including Chayanne, Thalía, Leslie Grace, Miguel Bosé, Diego Boneta, Cristian Castro, Ricky Martin, Karol G and Ednita Nazario.

Some of their music compositions include diamond selling tracks among which are "Ya No Tiene Novio" (Sebastián Yatra, *Mau y Ricky*), "Sin Pijama" (Becky G, Natti Natasha), Vente Pa'Ca (Ricky Martin, Maluma) and "Pa'Dentro" (Juanes).

1. Ricardo Montaner is from Argentina.
2. He started his career in Buenos Aires.
3. He has three children.
4. Evaluna Montaner is an actress, a Youtuber and a singer.
5. The band Mau & Ricky sing folklore songs.

ACTIVITY 2: Look up one of the songs of any member of the Montaner family. Choose 5 phrases and translate them into English.

SONG(S):	
SPANISH	ENGLISH

ACTIVITY 3: Watch the video about the American boy band "The Jackson 5" and mark the correct alternative.

[video](#)

1. Joe and Katherine Jackson had **seven / nine** children.
2. **The father / The mother** created the band "The Jackson 5".
3. At 8 years old Michael became **the lead singer / a member of the band**.
4. Rolling Stone magazine called **the band / Michael** a prodigy with an overwhelming musical gift.
5. There was a Jackson Five **movie / cartoon** because the band was very popular.
6. Later on Michael said in an interview that **his father / his brothers** had been abusive.
7. Michael left the band **in 1984 / when he died**.

ACTIVITY 4: Listen to the song and do the activities. [SONG](#)

BLAME IT ON THE BOOGIE, The Jackson 5

My baby's always dancing and it wouldn't be a bad thing
 But I don't get no lovin and that's no lie
 we spent the night in Frisco at every kinda disco
 from that night I kissed our love goodbye

a) Match the two halves.

Don't blame it
 Don't blame it
 Don't blame it
 Blame it

on the moonlight
 on the boogie
 on the good times
 on the sunshine

b) write in order

_____ I've changed my life completely, I've seen the lightning leave me

_____ That nasty boogie bugs me, but somehow how it has drugged me
_____ And my baby just can't take her eyes off me
_____ Spellbound rhythm gets me on my feet

CHORUS

c) What's the missing word? (It's a part of the body)

I just can't, I just can't
I just can't control my _____
I just can't, I just can't (Yeah)
I just can't (Woo) control my _____

CHORUS

d) Circle the correct word

This magic music grooves me, that **pretty / dirty** rhythm fools me
The devil's gotten to me through this **dance / trance**
I'm full of funky fever, a **fire / wire** burns inside me
Boogie's got me in a super **chance / trance**

CHORUS

ACTIVITY 5: Answer these personal questions.

1. Which song do you like best?
2. What kind of music do you usually listen to?
3. Are there any members of the same family in your favourite bands?
4. Does anyone in your family play a musical instrument or sing?