

ALL ABOUT QUEEN AND FREDDIE MERCURY

1) Complete with the correct form of the verb

Freddie Mercury, originally named Faroukh Bulsara, _____ (grow up) in India and _____ (move) to Britain in 1964 to work for a time in Heathrow airport.

Initially a vocalist in a band called Wreckage, Mercury, he _____ (join) Queen in 1971. At this point, the band _____ (be) made up of ex-Smile members Brian May on guitar and Roger Taylor on drums. John Deacon _____ (answer) an advert in the music press to become the band's bassist.

Their early career _____ (see) them release the poorly received album 'Queen' in 1973, and go on tour extensively, supporting Mott the Hoople.

Their second album, 'Queen 2', _____ (give) them their first hit single: 'Seven Seas Of Rye'. They gradually _____ (find) a loyal audience in a difficult time for music; Freddie _____ (make) a charismatic front man and the band _____ (work) together as a skilful team.



2) Complete the text using the correct form of the word given



'Sheer Heart Attack' and 'A Night At The Opera' followed, the former bearing '___killer___ (kill) Queen', the ___later___ (late) 'Bohemian Rhapsody'. This epic _____ (sing) was a record breaker, remaining the _____ (long) running number one for twenty years.

Mercury wrote the catchy number 'Crazy Little Thing Called Love', from the album 'The Game', released in 1980, the same year that the band _____ (pen) the score to 'Flash Gordon'.

Mercury's solo work included material for the soundtracks to '_____ (electricity) Dreams' and 'Metropolis'. _____ (he) version of 'The Great _____ (pretend)' was a hit in 1987. He recorded an album and single, 'Barcelona', with opera diva Montserrat Caballeri, for the Barcelona Olympics.

The group worked together again on 'The Miracle' and 'Innuendo', which was the last material to be released before Freddie's _____ (tragedy) death from AIDS in November 1991. He only admitted he was _____ (suffer) from the virus the day before his _____ (die).