

Focus: Listening, pronunciation and Interpretive skill

LISTENING – R.E.M. – LOSING MY RELIGION

Listen to the song and complete the activities below.

1) Write the missing word.

Oh life is _____ . It's bigger than you, and you are not me

The lengths that I will go to

The _____ in your eyes

Oh no, I've _____ too much, I set it up

That's me in the corner. That's me in the spot-light

Losing my religion

Trying to _____ up with you

And I don't know if I _____ do it

Oh no, I've said too much. I _____ said enough

2) Say the missing word. Click on the microphone to record your answers.

I _____ that I heard you laughing

I _____ that I heard you sing

I think I _____ I saw you try

3) Rewrite the verses correctly.

Every whisper of every waking flower, I'm choosing my confessions

Trying to keep an ear on you, like a hurt, lost and blinded fool, fool

Oh no, I've seen too much, I set it up

Consider this. Consider this the wind of the century. Consider this the slip

That brought me to my tears, failed

What if all these fantasies come flailing above

Now I've said to much

4) Say the missing word. Click on the microphone to record your answers.

I _____ that I heard you laughing

I _____ that I heard you sing

I think I _____ I saw you try

5) Sing along!

But that was just a dream. That was just a dream

That's me in the corner. That's me in the spot-light

Losing my religion

Trying to keep up with you and I don't know if I can do it

Oh no I've said too much, I haven't said enough

I thought that I heard you laughing

I thought that I heard you sing

I think I thought I saw you try

But that was just a dream... Try, cry, fly, try

That was just a dream... Just a dream... Just a dream, dream

6) What is the main theme of "Losing My Religion"?

- a. Love and happiness
- b. The challenges of faith and doubt
- c. Social justice
- d. Environmental concerns

7) In the song, what does the phrase "That's me in the corner, that's me in the spotlight" suggest?

- a. Confidence and self-assurance
- b. A feeling of being ignored or overlooked
- c. A desire for attention
- d. Nostalgia for the past

8) What emotion is most strongly conveyed in the lyrics of the chorus?

- a. Joy
- b. Sarcasm
- c. Desperation
- d. Indifference

9) According to the song, what is the consequence of losing one's religion?

- a. Finding true happiness
- b. Being ostracized from society
- c. Gaining a deeper understanding of spirituality
- d. Feeling a sense of liberation