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BRUNO MARS

Bruno Mars - READING



Read and complete the text with THE SIMPLE PAST OF the following verbs:

**begin - sell - move - become - be born - win - inspire - graduate - raise -
perform - be - have**

Peter Gene Hernandez, who _____ on October 8th, 1985, better known by his stage name Bruno Mars, is an American singer-songwriter. _____ in Honolulu, Hawaii by a family of musicians, Mars _____ making music at a young age. He _____ in various musical places in his hometown throughout his childhood. He _____ from high school and then _____ to Los Angeles, California to start a musical career.

Mars' music is famous for displaying a wide variety of styles and influences, and contains elements of many musical genres. He has worked with a variety of artists from various styles. As a child, he _____ highly influenced by artists such as Little Richard, Elvis Presley and Michael Jackson. Mars also incorporates reggae and Motown _____ sounds into his work. Worldwide, Mars _____ the best-selling digital artist in 2011. He _____ three singles in the top ten, including first place with "Just The Way You Are," which _____ 12.5 million copies. Mars _____ Best International Male Solo Artist at the 2012 BRIT Awards. Bruno Mars has sold 6 million albums and 40 million singles worldwide.



Now listen to the audio and correct it.

Read the Biography and complete the chart with **SHORT ANSWERS**.

His real name:

The month he was born:

His nationality:

Where he moved to after he graduated:

His family's job:

The King of pop who influenced him:

His first place single:

The number of singles he has sold:

