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UNIT 4

Fergie of the Black Eyed Peas

Scan the article and look at the pictures. In what year did each event take place?

She has many hit singles and several Grammy awards with her band the Black Eyed Peas. She has fans all over the world. She's a singer, a rapper, a songwriter, a fashion designer, and an actress. Her name is Stacy Ann Ferguson, but her fans call her Fergie.

Here are some highlights of Fergie's life and career.

- **1975** Fergie is born on March 27 in California.
- **1984** Fergie starts acting, doing the voice of Sally in the *Peanuts* cartoons. She also stars in the popular TV show *Kids Incorporated*, with actress Jennifer Love Hewitt.
- **1991** Fergie forms the all-female band Wild Orchid.
- **2003** Fergie records a song with the band Black Eyed Peas. The band likes her, and she records five more songs on the album.
- **2004** Fergie joins the Black Eyed Peas.
- **2005** Fergie and the Black Eyed Peas win their first Grammy award for "Let's Get It Started."
- **2006** Fergie makes a solo album and has six big hits. "Big Girls Don't Cry" is her first worldwide number one single.
- **2008** Fergie records "That Ain't Cool" with Japanese R&B singer Kumi Koda. She becomes famous in Japan.
- **2009** Fergie acts and sings in the movie *Nine*.
- **2010** Fergie and the Black Eyed Peas perform five songs at the 2010 World Cup celebration concert in South Africa.

Fergie says she's the "luckiest girl in the world." Why? Her song "Glamorous" says it all: "All the fans, I'd like to thank. Thank you really though, 'cause I remember yesterday when I dreamed about the days when I'd rock on MTV. . . ."



▲ performing at the World Cup



▲ on the TV show *Kids Incorporated*



▲ on stage with the Black Eyed Peas

A Read the article. Then number these sentences from 1 (first event) to 8 (last event).

..... a. She sings at the World Cup concert.
..... b. She is born in California.
..... c. She acts and sings in a movie.
..... d. Her band wins its first Grammy.
..... e. She forms her first band.
..... f. She is on TV with Jennifer Love Hewitt.
..... g. She becomes very popular in Japan.
..... h. She has her first worldwide number one song.

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