



Freddie Mercury

Freddie Mercury (born Farrokh Bulsara; 5 September 1946) was a British singer, songwriter, record producer, and lead singer of the rock band Queen.

Regarded as one of the greatest lead singers in the history of rock music, he was known for his unique personality.

He formed Queen in 1970 with guitarist Brian May, bassist John Deacon and drummer Roger Taylor and occasionally served as a producer and guest musician for other artists.

Mercury wrote numerous hits for Queen, including "Bohemian Rhapsody", "Killer Queen", "Somebody to Love", "Don't Stop Me Now", "Crazy Little Thing Called Love", and "We Are the Champions". All these songs are still popular around the globe.

Freddie Mercury died in 1991 at age 45 due to complications from a serious illness.

In 1992, he was awarded the Brit Award for Outstanding Contribution to British Music, and a tribute concert was held at Wembley Stadium, London.

He is consistently voted one of the greatest singers in the history of popular music.



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1. Read and say T or F

- a) Freddie Mercury was a solo artist.
- b) He was a vocalist and song writer.
- c) "Let it be" is one of his numerous hits.
- d) He didn't die in a car accident.
- d) He gave a tribute concert at Wembley Stadium in 1992.

2. Read complete with the right form of the verb

- a) Freddie _____ (sing) in a band called Queen.
- b) He _____ (live) in Britain.
- c) But he _____ (be born) in Africa.
- d) May, Deacon and Taylor _____ (be) part of the band.
- e) Mercury _____ (not live) a long life. He died at 45.
- f) People still listen to the songs he _____ (write).

3. Read about the film "Bohemian Rhapsody"

In 2018, a biographical drama film called "Bohemian Rhapsody" was released. The film tells the story of Freddie Mercury and stars Rami Malek as the protagonist. It was directed by Bryan Singer and follows Mercury's life from the formation of the band up to their 1985 Live Aid performance at the original Wembley Stadium.





Bohemian Rhapsody

4. Now, complete this interview

Reporter: Hello! Nice to meet you, Rami Malek.

Malek: Nice to meet you, too.

Reporter: So, it appears you're the new Freddie Mercury!

Malek: No, please. Freddie Mercury is irreplaceable.

I'm just an actor who's lucky to have played him.

Reporter: _____?

Malek: In 2004, when I was 23.

Reporter: Oh, and _____?

Malek: Glimore Girls.

Reporter: _____?

Malek: I really liked being part of it, but no.

Reporter: _____?

Malek: Night at the Museum and, of course, B. Rhapsody.

Reporter: Your performance is great in both films.

Malik: Thank you very much.

Reporter: _____?

Malik: I don't remember what I was doing. I only know I said "YES"!

Reporter: And you were right to do so! It led you to win an Academy Award. _____?

Malik: Incredibly happy. It was the best day of my life.

5. Finally, read and say F (Freddie), R (Rami) or B (both)

- a) He was a singer.
- b) He is an actor.
- c) He wrote Bohemian Rhapsody.
- d) He worked with Bryan Singer.
- c) He received an award.