

JOHN LENNON

Read about him and put the verbs in brackets in the past simple form.



John Lennon _____ (have) an unhappy childhood. His father _____ (leave) home when he _____ (be) five. His mother couldn't bring him up, so John _____ (live) with his aunt Mimi until he was 19. When he was 17, his mother _____ (die) in a car crash.

He _____ (go) to Quarry Bank High School in Liverpool. He _____ (meet) George Harrison and Paul McCartney, and in 1960 they _____ (start) a band called The Beatles.



The Beatles _____ (record) their first single "Love me Do" in 1962. They _____ (become) famous in 1963, when they played more than 200 concerts. In 1964, they went to the United States for the first time and played on American television.

The Beatles _____ (stop) playing live concerts in 1966 because the audience _____ (make) so much noise that nobody could hear the music. However, they _____ (continue) to record songs, and in 1967 they _____ (make) the album Sgt Pepper's Lonely Hearst Club Band. The last album they recorded together was Abbey Road.



John Lennon _____ (marry) the artist, Yoko Ono, in 1969, and in 1970 The Beatles _____ (break) up. John and Yoko _____ (move) to New York. John _____ (write) and _____ (sing) his most famous song "Imagine" in 1971. In 1980, he recorded a new album, Double Fantasy. He was killed a month later. An American, Mar Chapman, _____ (shoot) him outside his New York apartment near Central Park. Two days before his murder John Lennon _____ (tell) an interviewer "I feel safe in New York. I can go anywhere. It's my home."