

Bob Marley : a biography



1. Compréhension écrite:

Read Bob Marley's biography and answer the questions.

Bob Marley was born in Jamaica as Nesta Robert Marley on the 6th of February 1945. His father was an Englishman who married an Afro-American 18-year old girl from Jamaica. When Marley was 10 years old his father died of a heart attack. Although his father was white, he always considered himself a black African. When he was 14 years old he left school to play music with his friends.

He had eleven children with various women , but his wife was Rita. His lyrics touch upon the history of Jamaica and Africa, where Afro-American people were slaves. Slavery was one of many important topics for the artist. In his music he also spoke about a new kind of religion – Rastafarianism. His songs were loved by people and sung by people all over the world at the time. He travelled to many different countries singing about positive thinking and black power. The last tour ended terribly for him. He hurt his toe playing football and the wound not treated properly led to cancer. He died of cancer in 1981 but his legend is still alive.

1. When was Bob Marley born?
2. Where was Bob Marley born?
3. Who were his mother and father?
4. How old was Marley when his father died?
5. What was his wife's name?
6. How many children did he have?
7. How old was he when he left school?
8. How did he die?

2. Compréhension orale:

Listen to the song Could you be loved / Ecoute la chanson Could you be loved

Choose the correct answer / Choisis la bonne réponse

Don't let **them** **hell** fool ya,

Or even **try** **cry** to school ya! Oh, no!

We've got a mind of our own,

So go to **hell** **tell** if what you're thinking is not right!

Love would never **leave** **live** us alone,

In the darkness there **must** **just** come out to light.

Remets les phrases dans l'ordre

- a- Could you be loved and be loved?
- b- (The road of life is rocky and you may stumble too,
- c- Could you be loved, wo now! - and be loved?
- d-Love your brotherman!
- e- So while you point your fingers someone else is judging you)

(Could you be - could you be - could you be loved?
Could you be - could you be loved?
Could you be - could you be - could you be loved?
Could you be - could you be loved?)

Retrouve la fin

- | | |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1. Don't let them | a. a life to live. |
| 2. Or even rearrange ya | b. only - only – |
| 3. We've got. | c. Oh, no! |
| 4. They say: | d. of the fittest shall survive – |
| 5. only the fittest | e. change ya, oh! – |
| 6. Stay alive! Eh! | f. Could you be loved? |