

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_



NANCY MULLIGAN  
by Ed Sheeran



1.- Write the simple past forms of the verbs below (don't worry about the numbers):

Ask (1x)	
Be (12x)	/
Borrow (1x)	
Buy (1x)	
Find (1x)	
Get (2x)	
Go (3x)	
Make (1x)	
Meet (2x)	
Propose (1x)	
Say (1x)	
See (1x)	
Sit (1x9)	
Worry (1x)	



2. Listen to the song and complete it with the verbs above, as many times as the numbers into parentheses.

I \_\_\_\_\_ twenty-four years old  
When I \_\_\_\_\_ the woman  
I would call my own  
Twenty-two grandkids now growing old  
In the house that your brother \_\_\_\_\_ ya

On the summer day when I \_\_\_\_\_  
I \_\_\_\_\_ that wedding ring  
from dentist gold  
And I \_\_\_\_\_ her father, but her  
daddy \_\_\_\_\_ no  
You can't marry my daughter

She and I \_\_\_\_\_ on the run.  
Don't care about religion.  
I'm gonna marry the woman I love.  
Down by the Wexford border.  
She \_\_\_\_\_ Nancy Mulligan  
I \_\_\_\_\_ William Sheeran.  
She \_\_\_\_\_ my name and then  
we \_\_\_\_\_ one  
Down by the Wexford border.

Well I \_\_\_\_\_ her at Guys in the  
Second World War  
She \_\_\_\_\_ working on  
a soldier's ward.  
Never had I seen such beauty before  
The moment that I \_\_\_\_\_ her.

Nancy \_\_\_\_\_ my yellow rose,  
And we \_\_\_\_\_ married wearing  
\_\_\_\_\_ clothes  
We \_\_\_\_\_ eight children now  
growing old.  
Five sons and three daughters.

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I'm gonna marry the woman I love  
Down by the Wexford border.  
She \_\_\_\_\_ Nancy Mulligan and I  
\_\_\_\_\_ William Sheeran.  
She \_\_\_\_\_ my name and then  
we \_\_\_\_\_ one  
Down by the Wexford border.



From her snow white streak in  
her jet black hair  
Over sixty years I've been loving her.  
Now we are \_\_\_\_\_ by the fire in  
our old armchairs  
You know Nancy, I adore you.  
From a farm boy born near Belfast town.  
I never \_\_\_\_\_ about the King and Crown.  
Cause I \_\_\_\_\_ my heart  
upon the southern ground  
There's no difference. I assure you.



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I'm gonna marry the woman I love  
Down by the Wexford border.  
She \_\_\_\_\_ Nancy Mulligan and I  
\_\_\_\_\_ William Sheeran.  
She \_\_\_\_\_ my name and then  
we \_\_\_\_\_ one  
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### 3. Answer the questions:

- a) How old was Willian Sheeran when he met Nancy?  
  - 22
  - 32
  - 42
- b) How many children did they have?
- c) How many grandchildren did they have?
- d) Where did they meet each other?
- e) The song is sung in the first person, by:  
  - Nancy
  - William
  - Their grandson Ed Sheeran

### Song Facts

\* This song is about Ed Sheeran's Irish grandparents, Anne and William Sheeran. (Nancy is a diminutive of Anne, and Bill is short for William.) It tells the story of how they fell in love and married, despite their Catholic-Protestant divide.

\* "One was Protestant and from Belfast and one was Catholic from southern Ireland. They got engaged and no one turned up to the wedding. He melted all his gold teeth in his dental surgery and melted them down into a wedding ring. They wore borrowed clothes to get married and had this sort of Romeo and Juliet romance which is like the most romantic thing. I thought I'd write a song about it and make it a jig" - Sheeran explained to Zane Lowe on his Beats 1 show.

### 4. Correct the sentences:

- a.-They worked hard to buy their house.
- b.-Nancy's father was happy with their wedding.
- c.- Nancy had yellow hair.
- d.-They had eight sons.
- e.- Willian was born in a big city.
- f.- William loves the royal family.

### VOCABULARY

Wedding rings



Wexford (it's a city in Ireland)  
Belfast (it's a city in North Ireland)



Avril Lavigne has  
pink streak in her  
jet blond hair.



Guys: a hospital's name, in London.

Ward: like a hospital

Never had I seen: "I never saw before in my life..."

I've been loving: "I love..."