

The one thing (1) **persons** / **people** around the world know about Manchester in England is that it's the home of Manchester United football club. But is Manchester also (2) **a** / **an** important place in the world of classical music? Yes, (3) **is** / **it is**. There (4) **'s** / **are** a famous school in the city centre called Chetham's School of Music, or 'Chets' for short.

Chets is a specialist school for talented young musicians from around the UK. Can boys and girls go there? Yes, (5) **he** / **they** can. It's a mixed school and it (6) **'s** / **'ve** got around 290 students between the ages of eight and eighteen. They study academic subjects like maths, English and ICT, but they also study music for three hours a day. Students (7) **play** / **plays** musical instruments, like the piano or violin. For talented singers, one of their instruments (8) **can** / **cans** be their voice.



After leaving Chets, students often go on to study at the famous Royal Northern College of Music in Manchester. Many of (9) **it's** / **its** students become professional musicians. Manchester has got an orchestra, too, called the Hallé. It (10) **doesn't** / **don't** perform just in Manchester, it performs around the world. There's also the Hallé Youth Orchestra. That's for young people in the region who (11) **can** / **can't** play a musical instrument, but don't go to a music school like Chetham's. Its members play (12) **brilliantly** / **brilliant**.