

1. Aretha Franklin does these things in the morning. Guess the right order

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**2. Listen and complete. Check your answers for activity 1**

The moment I .....

Before I .....

I .....

While .....now,

And wondering .....now,

I say a little prayer for you

*Forever, and ever, you'll stay in my heart  
and I will love you*

*Forever, and ever, we never will part*

*Oh, how I love you*

*Together, forever, that's how it must be*

*To live without you*

*Would only mean heartbreak for me.*



Chorus

I run for the....., dear,  
While riding I ....., dear,  
I say a little prayer for you.  
.....I just take time  
And all through my.....  
I say a little prayer for you.



**Forever...**

My darling believe me, ( believe me)  
For me there is no one but you!  
Please love me too (answer his pray)  
And I'm in love with you (answer his pray)  
Answer my prayer now babe (answer his pray)



**What do you know about Aretha?**

When was she born ? decade? Approximate year?

Where was she born?

When did she die?

What kind of music did she play?

Do you know anything about her family? Husbands? Children?

**Read the following excerpt from Wikipedia and check your answers**

**Aretha Louise Franklin** (March 25, 1942 – August 16, 2018) was an American singer, songwriter, actress, pianist, and civil rights activist.<sup>[2]</sup> Franklin began her career as a child singing gospel at **New Bethel Baptist Church** in **Detroit, Michigan**, where her father **C. L. Franklin** was a minister. At the age of 18, she embarked on a secular-music career as a recording artist for **Columbia Records**. While Franklin's career did not immediately flourish, she found acclaim and commercial success after signing with **Atlantic Records** in 1966. Hit songs such as "I Never Loved a Man (The Way I Love You)", "Respect", "(You Make Me Feel Like) A Natural Woman", "Chain of Fools", "Think", and "I Say a Little Prayer" propelled her past her musical peers. By the end of the 1960s, Aretha Franklin had come to be known as the "Queen of Soul".

Franklin was the mother of four sons. She first became pregnant at the age of 12 and gave birth to her first child, named Clarence after her father,<sup>[108]</sup> on January 28, 1955. The father was widely believed and reported to be "Donald Burk, a boy she knew from school"; however, in one of her handwritten wills discovered in 2019, Franklin revealed the father was Edward Jordan.<sup>[109][110]</sup> On August 31, 1957, Franklin had a second child with Jordan, named Edward Derone Franklin<sup>[citation needed]</sup> after his father.<sup>[111]</sup> Franklin did not like to discuss her early pregnancies with interviewers.<sup>[112]</sup> Both children took her family name. While Franklin was pursuing her career and "hanging out with [friends]", Franklin's grandmother Rachel and sister Erma took turns raising the children.<sup>[113]</sup> Franklin would visit them often.<sup>[114]</sup> Franklin's third child, Ted White Jr., was born to Franklin and her then-husband Theodore "Ted" White in February 1964<sup>[115]</sup> and is known professionally as Teddy Richards. He provided guitar backing for his mother's band during live concerts.<sup>[116]</sup> Her youngest son, Kecal Cunningham, was born in April 1970 and is the child of her road manager Ken Cunningham.<sup>[117]</sup>