

Video listening



- a Watch an interview with pianist Isata Kanneh-Mason. What is unusual about her family? Why does the interviewer say that the future looks bright for the Kanneh-Mason children?

Video

b Watch the interview again and answer the questions.

- 1 How did she first get interested in classical music?
- 2 What happened to her when she was 17?
- 3 What is her position in the family?
- 4 What instrument does her brother Sheku play, and how has he been successful?
- 5 What kind of relationship do the siblings have?
- 6 What sacrifices did Isata and her siblings make when they were growing up, and how did they feel about it?
- 7 What is Isata's main reason for choosing a piece of music, and why?
- 8 What does she mean when she says 'I'm just so lucky that my escape is what I do'?

c Do you know any very musical people or families, or a family where they are mostly interested in or good at the same thing?