

# MUSIC MATTERS - LISTENING PRACTICE

Listen to the Podcast 'Music Matters' with Professor Suzy Harrison. *What are the three things which explain our taste in music?*

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Choose the correct alternative **a**, **b**, or **c** to complete the sentences. Then listen and check your answers.

- 1 When we are older, the music from our childhood makes us feel ...
  - a old.
  - b sad.
  - c happy.
- 2 Our first big music influence is generally ...
  - a our younger brothers and sisters.
  - b our older brothers and sisters.
  - c our school friends.
- 3 Music brings people together because we can share ...
  - a music files and records.
  - b our opinions of the music.
  - c the mood it creates.
- 4 We sometimes choose a particular type of music ...
  - a to create the right conditions for an activity.
  - b to give us a break from an activity.
  - c to help us forget about an activity.
- 5 Compared with the past, people today generally like ...
  - a fewer kinds of music.
  - b more kinds of music.
  - c the same variety of music.



**E SPEAK** Work in groups. Discuss the questions.

- 1 Who has influenced your taste in music, your parents, brothers and sisters, friends or someone or something else?
- 2 Do you generally like the same kinds of music as your friends? Do you think music is an important part of your friendships?
- 3 Do you tend to play different kinds of music at different times and when you are in different moods? Give some examples.

