Reading: From Dublin Streets to Global Stages: Bono's Journey

Paul David Hewson, better known as Bono, was born in Dublin in 1960. He has become one of the most recognized musicians in the world. As the lead singer of U2, Bono has written and performed music that has reached millions. He and his bandmates formed U2 in 1976, and they have released over 14 studio albums since then.

Bono has also been known for his humanitarian work. He has met world leaders and spoken about poverty and climate change. Over the years, he has received many awards and recognitions for both his music and activism. Although he has performed in huge stadiums, Bono has never forgotten his roots in Dublin.

He once said, "I've been all over the world, but Dublin is still where I feel most myself."

Comprehension

True or False:

1. Bono was born in the capital of Ireland. **True / False**
2. U2 was formed in the 1980s. **True / False**
3. Bono has never done anything outside music. **True / False**
4. He has always lived in New York. **True / False**
5. He remembers where he comes from. **True / False**

Vocabulary Exercise

Match the phrases from the text to their meaning:

1. recognised musicians	a. remember your origins
2. form a band	b. help others without personal gain
3. humanitarian work	c. start a music group
4. received awards	d. be known by many people
5. never forgotten his roots	e. been given prizes for achievement

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Grammar Focus: Present Perfect vs Past Simple

Use Present Perfect for:

- Life experiences (no specific time)
- Ongoing relevance

- I have met Bono.

- She has travelled to Dublin.

- I haven't been to Mexico.

- She hasn't seen him recently.

-Have you been to China?

Use Past Simple for:

- Finished time expressions (last year, in 2009, etc.)

- I met Bono in 2009.

- She went there last year.

-He didn't meet his friends yesterday.

- Where did you go on holidays?

-Did you eat pizza last week?

Practice Exercises

A. Fill in with Past Simple or Present Perfect:

1. Bono _____ (win) many awards over the years.
2. U2 _____ (form) in 1976.
3. He _____ (travel) to many countries for humanitarian work.
4. I _____ (see) a documentary about him last year.
5. They _____ (release) a new album recently.
6. She _____ (go) to a U2 concert in 2019.
7. He _____ (meet) Nelson Mandela.
8. They _____ (start) their band in Dublin.

B. Make Questions:

1) _____?
- Yes, I have been to Ireland.

2) _____'
- No, I haven't met a famous person.

3) _____'
- Yes, I saw a U2 concert once.

4) _____?
- No, I didn't like their last album.

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