



Nancy Mulligan

By Ed Sheeran



1) Write the simple past forms of the verbs below (don't worry about the numbers):

Ask (1x): _____
Be (12x): _____ / _____
Borrow (1x): _____
Buy (1x): _____
Find (1x): _____
Get (2x): _____
Go (3x): _____
Make (1x): _____
Meet (2x): _____
Propose (1x): _____
Say (1x): _____
See (1x): _____
Sit (1x): _____
Worry (1x): _____



2) Listen to the song and complete it with the verbs above, as many times as the numbers into parentheses.

I _____ twenty-four years old
When I _____ the woman I would call my own
Twenty-two grandkids now growing old
In the house that your brother _____ ya

On the summer day when I _____
I _____ that wedding ring from dentist gold
And I _____ her father, but her daddy
_____ no You can't marry my daughter

She and I _____ on the run.
Don't care about religion.
I'm gonna marry the woman I love.
Down by the Wexford border.
She _____ Nancy Mulligan
I _____ William Sheeran.
She _____ my name and then we
_____ one
Down by the Wexford border.

Well I _____ her at Guys in the Second World War

She _____ working on a soldier's ward.
Never had I seen such beauty before
The moment that I _____ her.

Nancy _____ my yellow rose,
And we _____ married wearing _____ clothes
We _____ eight children now growing old.
Five sons and three daughters.

She and I _____ on the run.
Don't care about religion.
I'm gonna marry the woman I love
Down by the Wexford border.
She _____ Nancy Mulligan and I
_____ William Sheeran.
She _____ my name and then we
_____ one
Down by the Wexford border.

From her snow white streak in her jet black hair
Over sixty years I've been loving her.
Now we are _____ by the fire in our old armchairs
You know Nancy, I adore you.
From a farm boy born near Belfast town.
I never _____ about the King and Crown.
Cause I _____ my heart upon the
southern ground
There's no difference. I assure you.

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Song Facts

* This song is about Ed Sheeran's Irish grandparents, Anne and William Sheeran. (Nancy is a diminutive of Anne, and Bill is short for William.) It tells the story of how they fell in love and married, despite their Catholic-Protestant divide.



* "One was Protestant and from Belfast and one was Catholic from southern Ireland. They got engaged and no one turned up to the wedding. He melted all his gold teeth in his dental surgery and melted them down into a wedding ring. They wore borrowed clothes to get married and had this sort of Romeo and Juliet romance which is like the most romantic thing. I thought I'd write a song about it and make it a jig" – Sheeran explained to Zane Lowe on his Beats