



Read the text. For statements 1 -7, choose the correct option.

Victor Tsoi – A Russian Rock Star

Victor Tsoi was born in Leningrad in 1962. His mother was Russian and his father was Korean. **1** _____ did they know that their son would grow up to be one of the pioneers of Russian rock music.

He started writing rock songs **2** _____ he was 17, and by the time he was 20 he had formed a band called "Kino". They made their first recording in Tsoi's flat and the demo tape was passed **3** _____ the city and then the country.

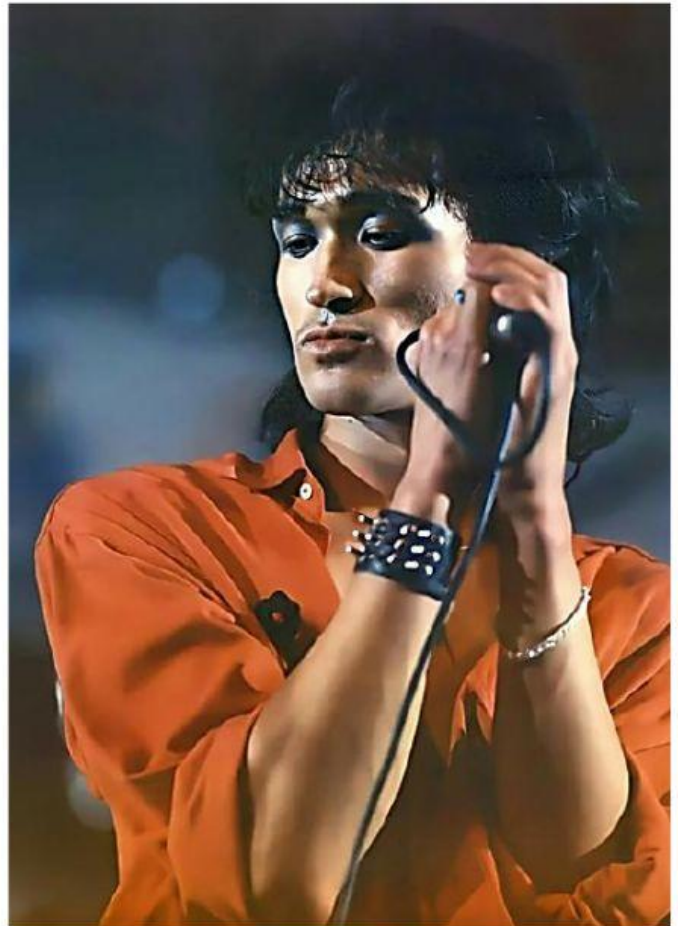
Kino quickly **4** _____ a large cult following. When their first album 45' was released in 1982, the political **5** _____ of their lyrics both excited a lot of Russian youth and angered the authorities. The band was the runaway winner of the Leningrad Rock Club Concert, mostly due to the popularity of their anti-war songs.

1985 proved to be a very important year for Tsoi and for *Kino*. Tsoi got married and had a son, Alexander. Social Reforms allowed rock bands to be written about and **6** _____ on TV, which up until then had not been allowed. *Kino* then quickly became the most popular rock band in Russia.

Sadly, Victor Tsoi died in a tragic car accident in 1990.

Amazingly, a tape of his vocals for the next album survived the crash and the band made the album after his death. This album was called the 'Black Album' and it was the band's **7** _____ work.

Their music is still popular today and Victor Tsoi remains a cultural hero.



- | | | | | |
|----|------------|-----------|---------------|--------------|
| 1. | 1. Few | 2. Less | 3. Little | 4. Small |
| 2. | 1. when | 2. then | 3. because | 4. so |
| 3. | 1. through | 2. up | 3. around | 4. down |
| 4. | 1. reached | 2. caught | 3. attained | 4. attracted |
| 5. | 1. essence | 2. way | 3. nature | 4. spirit |
| 6. | 1. happen | 2. occur | 3. appear | 4. see |
| 7. | 1. final | 2. last | 3. concluding | 4. end |

