

FRANK SINATRA

Francis Albert Sinatra (December 12, 1915 – May 14, 1998) _____ (be) an American singer, actor and producer who was one of the most popular music artists of the 20th century and one of the best-selling music artists of all time.

He was born in Hoboken, New Jersey and his parents _____ (be) Italian immigrants. He _____ (begin) his musical career in the time swing was popular and _____ (become) successful as a solo artist in 1943. His first album _____ (come) out in 1946. In the early 1950s he _____ (go) to Las Vegas, where he became one of its best known concert singers. He _____ (make) a lot of successful albums, _____ (start) his own record company, _____ (appear) in films and television specials and _____ (win) a lot of awards and other honours.

Frank Sinatra _____ (like) everything to be perfect, and he was famous for being well-dressed and a great performer. He was very popular with the ladies and _____ (have) four wives. His nickname was "Ol' Blue Eyes" because of his bright blue eyes. He never _____ (learn) to read music, but he _____ (work) very hard from a young age to get better in all aspects of music. After Sinatra's death, American music critic Robert Christgau _____ (call) him "the greatest singer of the 20th century" and people still admire him and love his songs.

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A. Complete Sinatra's biography by putting the verbs in the Past Simple.

B. True or False?

True False

- His mother and father came to the USA from Italy.
- His solo career started in 1946.
- He only got famous after his death.
- He didn't care about how he looked.
- He got married four times.

C. Choose the correct answer.

- He was very successful singing in _____.
- He made a record in _____.
- He sang beautifully but he couldn't _____.
- His personal life was _____.
- People called him _____.