

READING

A Scan the article and look at the pictures. In what year did each event take place?



Beyoncé Knowles-Carter is a singer, songwriter, performer, actress, clothing designer, and Grammy Award-winning superstar. Many people call her one of the most powerful female musicians in history. Beyoncé works really hard for her success. As she says, "I wanted to sell a million records, and I sold a million records. I wanted to go platinum; I went platinum. I've been working

nonstop since I was 15. I don't even know how to chill out." Many people talk about Beyoncé's energy on stage. She's an amazing entertainer. Millions of fans love her singing and dancing. Beyoncé uses many different styles of music, including funk, soul, and pop. In her career so far, Beyoncé has sold over 100 million records as a solo artist and another 60 million records with her group Destiny's Child.



Beyoncé marries Jay-Z

BEYONCÉ FAST FACTS

- 1981 Beyoncé is born in Houston, Texas.
- 1996 Her girl group, Destiny's Child, gets its first recording contract.
- 2001 Beyoncé experiences her first time acting. She stars in *Carmen: A Hip Hopera* on MTV.
- 2003 She releases her first solo album, *Dangerously in Love*.
- 2004 She wins five Grammys at the Grammy Awards.
- 2005 Beyoncé starts an organization to help hurricane victims.
- 2008 She marries rapper Jay-Z.
- 2010 She wins six Grammys at the Grammy Awards for her album *I Am . . . Sasha Fierce*.
- 2012 Beyoncé has a daughter and names her Blue Ivy.
- 2013 Beyoncé performs at the U.S. president's inauguration.
- 2013 She releases a secret album online named *Beyoncé*.
- 2016 Beyoncé performs her song "Formation" at a huge sporting event.



Beyoncé performs at the president's inauguration

B Read the article. Then number these sentences from 1 (first event) to 8 (last event).

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| _____ a. She performs at a president's inauguration. | _____ e. She releases her first solo album.           |
| _____ b. She is born in Texas.                       | _____ f. She has a baby.                              |
| _____ c. She acts in a movie.                        | _____ g. Her group gets its first recording contract. |
| _____ d. She wins five Grammys.                      | _____ h. She helps hurricane victims.                 |

C PAIR WORK Who is your favorite musician? What do you know about his or her life?