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UNIT 3: MUSIC
Reading

The Power of Music

Music is an important part of our daily lives. We hear it on the radio, in movies, at concerts, and even in stores. It can make us feel happy, excited, relaxed, or even emotional. But have you ever thought about why music is so powerful?

One reason music is special is that it connects people. No matter where you are from, music can bring people together. Songs with meaningful lyrics can tell stories and express emotions that words alone cannot. Different styles of music, like pop, rock, classical, and hip-hop, reflect different cultures and traditions around the world.

Music also has many benefits for the brain. Studies show that listening to music can improve memory, concentration, and creativity. Many students listen to music while studying because it helps them focus. Playing a musical instrument is even better for the brain, as it improves coordination and problem-solving skills.

In addition, music is a great form of self-expression. Many artists write songs about their personal experiences, turning emotions into melodies. This is why we often relate to music —it can feel like a reflection of our own thoughts and feelings.

The music industry is huge, with many people working behind the scenes to create songs. Singers, songwriters, producers, and sound engineers all play an important role. With technology, making music has become easier than ever. Many artists record and share their songs online, reaching millions of listeners worldwide.

Whether we listen to it for fun, relaxation, or inspiration, music is a universal language that connects us all. It has the power to influence our emotions, shape cultures, and even change the world.

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Task 1 : Reading Comprehension Questions

1. WHERE CAN WE HEAR MUSIC IN DAILY LIFE?

2. HOW DOES MUSIC CONNECT PEOPLE?

3. WHAT ARE SOME DIFFERENT STYLES OF MUSIC MENTIONED IN THE PASSAGE?

4. HOW DOES LISTENING TO MUSIC BENEFIT THE BRAIN?

5. WHY DO SOME STUDENTS LISTEN TO MUSIC WHILE STUDYING?

6. HOW DOES PLAYING A MUSICAL INSTRUMENT HELP THE BRAIN?

7. WHY DO MANY ARTISTS WRITE SONGS ABOUT PERSONAL EXPERIENCES?

8. WHO ARE SOME OF THE PEOPLE INVOLVED IN CREATING MUSIC?

9. HOW HAS TECHNOLOGY CHANGED THE MUSIC INDUSTRY?

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10. WHY IS MUSIC CONSIDERED A UNIVERSAL LANGUAGE?

Task 2 : Match each word with its correct definition.

1.Emotion	*A. The ability to focus on a task without distraction*
2.Concentration	*B. The process of sharing thoughts and feelings through music, art, or writing*
3.Self-expression	*C. Something that is understood or shared by everyone, no matter their culture or language*
4.Creativity	*D. A strong feeling, such as happiness, sadness, or excitement*
5. Universal	*E. The ability to come up with new and original ideas*

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Task 3 : True/False Statements.

Statement	True	False
1.Music can only be heard at concerts and on the radio.		
2. Playing a musical instrument helps improve coordination and problem-solving skills.		
3. Music has no effect on emotions or memory.		
4. Technology has made it easier for artists to record and share their music.		
5. Music is considered a universal language because only one country understands it.		

Task 4 : Choose the most appropriate answer for each item (a, b, c, or d)

1 Which of the following is NOT mentioned as a place where we hear music?

A. Radio
B. Movies
C. Libraries
D. Concerts

2 Why do some students listen to music while studying?

A. It helps them focus
B. It makes studying more difficult
C. It distracts them from learning
D. It has no effect on their studies

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3 What is one way that music connects people?

A. By creating division between cultures

B. By bringing people together through shared emotions

C. By making people stop listening to different genres

D. By limiting the way people express themselves

4 Which of the following is a benefit of playing a musical instrument?

A. It makes you forget things more easily

B. It improves coordination and problem-solving skills

C. It stops you from being creative

D. It has no effect on the brain

5 Why is music considered a universal language?

A. Because only musicians can understand it

B. Because it is always played in English

C. Because it connects people and expresses emotions across cultures

D. Because it has the same meaning in every country

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