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Black rose is our college's biggest band right now. Jody, Ed, Frank and Fliss got together at college in 2003. Since then, they've done four tours of the south west and they've released two CDs on the college label. They've had three tracks played in the national radios. They've just finished a tour at the Swan theatre, the football ground and the Nag's head pub in town. On the day before the last gig, we talked to lead singer, Jody.

Interviewer: Has the tour gone well?

Jody: It's been great the fans have been amazing. They've liked our new songs as well as the old ones.

Interviewer: the band has created its own sound over the last five years, hasn't it?

Jody: Yeah: we've worked hard on our music- we want to be unique.

Interviewer: have sales of the new album been good?

Jody: I'm not sure. I'm not really interested in that side of it.

Interviewer: are you looking forward to the final gig tonight in the college hall?

Jody: yes and no. It'll be a great gig-probably the best of this year. But I'm sorry the tour's over-we've had a really good time. We haven't argued. We've played well. I've loved it. Even the weather's been good! But we need to concentrate on our exams now!

Since our interview last week, the band has had a big **bust up**

The college gig didn't go well. The lead guitarist and the pianist didn't play well. They were really tired and didn't try very hard. Jody was really mad. "When students have paid all that money for a ticker, we have to play well" she said next morning. "Some fans have waited a year to see us. I feel terrible" So she's left the band. At riff magazine we hope it's only temporary.

1. What's the name of the band?
2. When and where did they get together?
3. How many tours have they done?
4. How many CDs have they released?
5. How many tracks have they played on national radios?

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6. Have people liked the new band's songs?
7. Is Jody interested in sales of the new album?
8. Have the members of the band argued?
9. How has the weather been?
10. Have they been working on their own sound?