

Bob Dylan: A Musical Legend

Bob Dylan is one of the most famous musicians in the world. He was born in 1941 in the USA as **Robert Allen Zimmerman**. Later, he changed his name to Bob Dylan because he liked the poems of Dylan Thomas.

Bob plays many instruments, like the **guitar, harmonica, and piano**. In the 1960s, he became very popular because he wrote songs about **peace and freedom**. Many people call his early songs "protest songs" because they talked about things that were wrong in the world.

Was Bob Dylan in a war? No, he was not a soldier. Instead, he wrote songs *against* war, such as "Masters of War," to show how bad fighting is.

Does he have a family? Yes, Bob Dylan has a big family. He has **six children** in total. His son, Jakob Dylan, is also a successful singer in a band called The Wallflowers.

Bob Dylan is not only a singer; he is also a great **writer and artist**. In 2016, he won the **Nobel Prize for Literature** for his amazing song lyrics. He also likes to paint pictures and make statues from iron.

Key Words (match)

Songwriter		the words of a song
Harmonica		a person who writes the words and music for songs
Peace		a time without war
Lyrics		a prize for doing something very well
Award		a small musical instrument played with the mouth

Complete the questions (**Which, What, Why, Who, How many**) and answer.

- was Bob Dylan's name when he was born?
-musical instruments can Bob Dylan play?
- children does Bob Dylan have?
-did he win the Nobel Prize in 2016?
- Was Bob Dylan a soldier in the army?**
- is Jakob Dylan?

Interesting Facts (Zajímavosti)

- **The School Singer:** Bob Dylan sometimes visits his grandson's kindergarten. He brings his guitar and sings songs to the children there.
- **A Hidden Talent:** Besides music, Bob is a very good painter. His artworks are shown in big galleries all over the world.
- **The Name Change:** He chose his stage name "Bob Dylan" when he was young because he lived in a "free country" and wanted to choose his own identity.
- **Movie Star:** He didn't just sing; he also acted in several movies, like *Pat Garrett and Billy the Kid*

