

1) Read the article below. As you read, look for the answer to this question - What style of music does Vanessa Mae play?

### VANESSA MAE - MUSICAL PRODIGY

Vanessa Mae was already a world-famous musician before she became a teenager. She was born in Singapore in 1978, but when she was four years old, her family moved to London. Vanessa was only five when she started playing the violin. At the age of ten, she made her musical debut when she played with the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra in London. By the age of 13, she had already made three classical CDs. They included the violin concertos of Tchaikovsky and Beethoven. Vanessa was the youngest violinist in the world to record these two masterpieces.



Vanessa was keen to experiment with a range of musical styles. She began playing the modern electric violin and released a pop CD called *The Violin Player* in 1995. This sold more than 3 million copies. She has become famous for her crossover style of music which combines classical music with rock and pop. Vanessa has received many awards and has performed at a large number of musical events and venues around the world. Today she is a musical star, equally at home when playing classical violin, or rock and pop music.

Vanessa Mae plays \_\_\_\_\_.

2) Match the questions about Vanessa Mae to the answers?

1) Where was Vanessa Mae born?

A) Since she was five.

2) How long has Vanessa been playing the violin?

B) More than 3 million copies.

3) When did Vanessa make her musical debut?

C) In 1988.

4) How many copies of her CD did Vanessa sell?

D) Singapore.