



5 Facts About Tupac Shakur

Read the text and do the activity:



At 25, rap legend **Tupac Shakur** was gunned down on the streets of Las Vegas on September 13, 1996. Fans continue to mourn his tragic unsolved murder all over the world. To remember Tupac, we've compiled five facts about his life and life after death:

1. Tupac's last name means 'thankful'

The rapper's name descends from the Incas of Peru and the Arabic language. Túpac Amaru was the last leader of Peru's Incan Empire and the name translates to "shining snake." "Shakur" comes from Arabic origins and means "thankful" or "appreciative."

2. The rapper is related to Shakespeare

In a 1994 interview, Shakur said, "I feel like a tragic hero in a Shakespeare play, you know what I'm saying?" The quote rings true considering his rise to fame from poverty, his violent death and posthumous success.

3. He's immortalized in wax



Ten years after Tupac's death, **Madame Tussauds** (~musée Grévin) debuted a very resembling wax figure of the artist. The creators of the wax Tupac researched hours of videos of the rap star, his personal measurements and photos provided by his mother. They even hand-painted his tattoos to capture the mysterious resemblance.

4. Tupac was resurrected as a hologram

Although the rap legend died in 1996, he returned to the stage at the 2012 Coachella Music Festival via hologram. Tupac's hologram is one of several digitally projected deceased stars like Michael Jackson. His hologram and music sales continue to generate major earnings posthumously.



5. His reported last words were profanity

[...] Chris Carroll, a retired sergeant, was the first officer on the scene after Tupac's shooting. In a 2014 interview, he revealed the rapper's last words. After struggling to get Tupac out of the vehicle, the officer tried to obtain information from him to identify the shooter. The officer recounted, "He looked at me and he took a breath to get the words out, and he opened his mouth, and I thought I was actually going to get some cooperation. And then the words came out: 'F**k you.' Shakur died six days later at the age of 25.

SOURCE :

[HTTPS://WWW.BIOGRAPHY.COM/NEWS/TUPAC-SHAKUR-BIRTHDAY-FACTS](https://www.biography.com/news/tupac-shakur-birthday-facts)

1. Tick the correct answer.

Tupac died at the age of : ☐ 30 ☐ 25 ☐ 19	The cause of his death is : ☐ someone shot him down ☐ someone stabbed him ☐ someone knocked him out	He died in : ☐ London ☐ California ☐ Las Vegas
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2. Find the words corresponding to the pictures in the text :



3. True or false? Justify with quotes from the text.

Tupac's name comes from Mexican and Turkish languages	☐ TRUE ☐ FALSE
'Shakur' means 'shining snake'	☐ TRUE ☐ FALSE
He compared himself to a tragic hero in Shakespeare's plays	☐ TRUE ☐ FALSE
There's a wax figure of Tupac at the Musée Grévin in Paris	☐ TRUE ☐ FALSE
He returned to the stage after his death as a hologram	☐ TRUE ☐ FALSE
The last words he said were for his mother	☐ TRUE ☐ FALSE

4. Grammar. Pick up 10 verbs in the past simple from the text :

5 REGULAR VERBS	5 IRREGULAR VERBS