

Topic: **Music**

1. **Vocabulary** (The **MP3** is available online)

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| 1. Tactic | Tac tic | 6. Former | For mer |
| 2. Merchant | Mer chant | 7. Charity | Char i ty |
| 3. Can't stand | Can't stand | 8. Reprive | Re prieve |
| 4. Scare | Scare | 9. Campaign | Cam paign |
| 5. Torture | Tor ture | 10. Ban | Ban |

	Word	Form	Definition	Example	Synonyms	Parts of Speech
1	Tactic	<i>n</i>	an action or method that is planned and used to achieve a particular goal	We may need to change tactics to win the game.	Ploy Gambit Stratagem	Tac ti cian <i>n</i>
2	Merchant	<i>adj</i>	someone who buys and sells goods especially in large amounts	The merchant navy traveled hundreds of miles transporting goods from one country to the next.	Retailer Seller Broker Trader	Mer chant <i>n</i> Mer chan dise <i>n</i> Mer can tile <i>adj</i>
3	Can't stand	<i>id</i>	[to be] unable to tolerate someone or something; disliking them/it extremely	I can't stand the sight of poor kids begging on the streets. It pulls at my heart strings so much.	Abhor Despise Hate Detest	
4	Scare	<i>v</i>	to cause (someone) to become afraid	You scared me. I didn't see you there.	Alarm Panic Shock	Scar er <i>n</i>
5	Torture	<i>n</i>	something that causes mental or physical suffering : a very painful or unpleasant experience	Listening to him can be torture .	Persecution Suffering Misery agony torment	Tor tu rer <i>n</i>

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6	Former	<i>adj</i>	used to say what someone or something was in the past	The coach is a former professional baseball player	Old Ex- Past Onetime	
7	Charity	<i>n</i>	an organization that helps people who are poor, sick, etc.	She runs a local charity that gives books to children.	Aid Fund Donation Philanthropy Endowment	Char i tes <i>n pl</i> Char i ta ble <i>adj</i>
8	Reprive	<i>v</i>	to delay the punishment of (someone, such as a prisoner who is sentenced to death)	He was sentenced to death but then reprived .	Remission Pardon Deferment Postponement	Re prive <i>n</i>
9	Campaign	<i>n</i>	a series of activities designed to produce a particular result	The group launched a campaign to protect the area from commercial development.	Crusade Drive Fight Movement Push	Cam paign <i>v</i> Cam paign er <i>n</i>
10	Ban	<i>v</i>	to forbid people from using (something) : to say that something cannot be used or done	The city has banned smoking in all public buildings.	Boycott Condemn Disallow Stop	Ban <i>n</i>

2. **Listening & Reading** (The *MP3* is available online)

Listen to and read an article about **Music**.

Ship captains in the Indian Ocean are using a new **tactic** to keep pirates away – songs sung by U.S. pop star Britney Spears. An officer with Britain's **merchant** navy, Rachel Owens, said Britney Spears' songs did a good job against Somali pirates. Ms Owens, 34, said: "[Britney's] songs were chosen by the security team because they thought the pirates would hate them most. These guys **can't stand** Western culture or music, making Britney's hits perfect." A spokesman for a security company said playing loud pop music was an effective way of stopping attacks on ships. He said not all shipping companies choose Britney Spears' music. He added: "Each security company will have its own music choice."

This is not the first time loud music has been used to **scare** people. It has even been used as a form of **torture**. Prison guards at Guantanamo Bay started using music in 2003 to keep prisoners awake. In 2008, prisoners had to listen to very loud music for weeks and months. A **former** Guantanamo prisoner, Ruhul Ahmed, explained that the loud music played in his cell for weeks at a time was worse than being beaten up. He said: "It makes you feel like you are going mad." Many people think prisons must stop playing loud music to someone for days or weeks at a time. A human rights **charity** called **Reprieve** has started a **campaign** to end it. It wants rock stars to **ban** prisons from using their music for torture.

3. Conversation Strategies

Illustrating and Interrupting

Student A		Student B		Student C	
Tell about a time when you went on a date.					
1	Let me tell you about my last date.	2	Hold on a second, when was this?	5	Sorry, may I ask a question?
3	This was last week.	4	Oh, I see.	7	Where was the date?
6	Sure.	10	Was he a nice guy?	9	Nice.
8	It was at East Gate. We went for pasta, then a coffee.	15	Hold on, why are you still with him?	12	Sweet! My boyfriend never pays for everything.
11	Yeah, he was nice. For example, he paid for everything.	17	Ah, okay.	14	Yeah, it's annoying, but...
13	Really?			16	Well I was about to mention that he does pay for the food, I get the coffees.

Practice

Please practice a conversation similar to above using expressions for *Illustrating* and *Interrupting*.

1st = Student A: Start with the situation below / have a short conversation with Student B & C

2nd = Student B: Start with the situation below / have a short conversation with Student A & C

3rd = Student C: Start with the situation below / have a short conversation with Student A & B

Student A	Student B	Student C
Tell about a time when you won a prize or sporting event	Tell about a time when someone was angry with you	Tell about what you did yesterday from noon to night.

4. Phrasal Verbs

These **Phrasal Verbs** are very common in relation to **Music**.

Phrase	Meaning	Collocation	Example
Be into	To like something	Music	William is really into modern jazz music.
Sell out	No more tickets available		Ricky and the band have been playing to sold out audiences across the country.
Pack out	The ability to fill all the concert seats		He's a very popular artist. Last year he was able to pack out London's Albert Hall.
Grow out of	To finish liking something and move on to something else		I grew out of pop music when I was 15. I then got into heavy rock music.
Storm into	To successfully and quickly enter somewhere	Charts	She stormed into the Top Ten charts last summer with her debut single When I Lost You.

5. Idioms

These *Idioms* are very common and they are connected to **Music**.

Idiom	Meaning	Example
Change your tune	If someone changes their ideas or the way they talk about them, they change their tune.	He was against the idea to start with, but he soon <u>changed his tune</u> when he realized how much money he'd get.
Ring a bell	If something rings a bell, it sounds familiar, but you don't remember the exact details.	John Bentley? The name <u>rings a bell</u> but I don't remember him.
Clean as a whistle	Something as clean as a whistle is extremely clean. ... also mean that a person's criminal record is clean.	Bob spent the afternoon washing and shining his car until it was <i>as</i> <u>clean as a whistle</u> .
It takes two to tango	This idiom suggests that when things go wrong, both sides are involved and neither side is completely innocent.	A. 'She blames Tracy for stealing her husband.' B. 'Well, it takes <u>two to tango</u> .'
Music to one's ears	To say that something is music to your ears means that the information you receive makes you feel very happy.	His compliments were <u>music to my ears</u> .