



## I. Musical instruments

trumpet – труба

saxophone – саксофон

flute – флейта

organ – орган

keyboard – синтезатор

piano – пианино

violin – скрипка

cello – виолончель

guitar – гитара

accordion – аккордеон

clarinet – кларнет

double bass – контрабас

drums – барабаны

French horn – валторна

trombone – тромбон

bagpipes – волынка

banjo – банджо

bassoon – фагот

bongo – бонго

cymbals – тарелки

harmonica – губная гармошка

harp – арфа

kettledrum – литавры

tambourine – бубен

triangle – треугольник

tuba – туба

viola – альт

## II. Vocabulary

composer – композитор

lead singer – солист

songwriter – автор песен

conductor – дирижер

orchestra – оркестр  
appeal – привлекать  
lyrics – текст песен  
chords – аккорды  
amplifier – усилитель  
arrangement – аранжировка  
hum – гул, напевать с закрытым ртом  
scale – гамма, звукоряд  
admire – восхищаться  
muzak – фоновая музыка  
discordant – неблагозвучный, расстроенный  
rousing – воодушевляющий  
tuneful – мелодичный  
deafening – оглушительный  
soothing – успокаивающий  
contemporary – современный

### III. Choose the correct answer.

1. I like the tune but not the lyrics/melody.
2. Is he a solo/single artist?
3. I've never seen the band live/alive.
4. Katie Melua has a great tune/voice.
5. He's gone of the best living/alive songwriters.
6. His music appeals/influences to me.

#### IV. Match the word to its definition.

1. album	a. individually released song
2. arrangement	b. music supporting the lead singer
3. backing	c. sing a tune lips closed
4. cassette	d. notes going up at equal intervals
5. chord	e. CD with a number of tracks
6. hit	f. make sound by blowing air through lips
7. hum	g. particular adaptation of a piece of music
8. muzak	h. very successful song
9. scale	i. three or four notes played together
10. single	j. recorded light music played in public places
11. whistle	k. magnetic tape you can record on

#### V. For each of the words find a near synonym and an antonym from the words in the box.

background	classical	discordant	loud	modern
relaxing	rousing	serious	soft	tuneful

1. deafening    2. soothing    3. light    4. tuneless    5. contemporary

synonym

antonym

#### VI. Complete the text with words from the box.

lead singer	drummer	backing group	guitarists	drum kit	bass guitar
lead guitar	amplifier	acoustic guitar	keyboard player	microphone	
loudspeakers	saxophone player	dancers	synthesizers	electric piano	

A pop group can have many forms, but traditional one has a single \_\_\_\_\_, and sometimes \_\_\_\_\_. There is nearly always a \_\_\_\_\_ sitting behind his or her \_\_\_\_\_ and two or three \_\_\_\_\_ playing electric guitars. The person playing \_\_\_\_\_ is usually a very good guitarist and has all the solos. The person playing \_\_\_\_\_, which is the biggest of the electric guitars, provides a strong, often pounding bass rhythm. Sometimes, especially for a slower, quieter ballad, one of them might play an \_\_\_\_\_.

The difference is that electric guitars always have to be plugged into \_\_\_\_\_. The singer sings into a \_\_\_\_\_ and behind him or her are usually several enormous \_\_\_\_\_. Nowadays there is nearly always a \_\_\_\_\_. He or she plays a range of \_\_\_\_\_ and possibly an \_\_\_\_\_. Finally, some groups have a \_\_\_\_\_ and might even have one or two \_\_\_\_\_.

## **VII. Answer the questions.**

1. What is the name of a modern band or solo artist that you admire?
2. Has their music been influenced by anyone/anything?
3. Do they write and record their own music or play other people's?
4. Do they often do live concerts? Have you seen them play live?
5. What was the last album they released?
6. Why does their music appeal to you? Is it because of a great voice/talented musicians/ lovely melodies/ good lyrics?