

Year 7 Contemporary Music:

How music has evolved; studying popular music.

Week 1.

A background to popular music.

Use the link <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zbw7pv4/articles/zrrnpg8>

To get you started research the early influences on British popular music. You could produce a poster/leaflet/etc. charting the changes in popular music throughout the decades.

Week 2.

Individual research task. Select a contemporary artist that you would like to research this half term. Chart their rise to fame.

Early life.

Create a presentation on their life. Start with a straight forward Biography including standard facts like:

- DOB
- Family
- School life
- Interests

Any other interesting facts about them can go here.

Week 3.

Musical influences

Find out about who their influences were and what inspired them to become a musician. What are their favourite bands/songs/solo artists? What styles of music did they like? Who did they see live? What was the first album they bought?

Week 4.

First Album/hit.

Write about your artist's first big hit. What was it? What is the story behind it? Where did it chart? How popular was it?

Week 5.

And finally!

Finish by writing about your artist's current status. What have they achieved? Why did you pick them? What other things should somebody know about your selection?

How you decide to present your findings is entirely up to you, so be creative.