

- ① Read the three texts to find information on ...
- a) **highlight** each category of information with a different colour
 - b) count the words and write them next to the title / artist's name
 - c) mark the paragraphs 

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|  1) real name / stage name | 3) role in the music | 5) albums / awards |
|  2) place of birth / current place of residence | business | 6) why you like the artist(s) |
| | 4) famous songs | |

**Falco:**

My favourite pop rap singer is Falco. His real name is Johann Hölzel, and he was born on February 19, 1957, in Vienna, Austria. But, sadly, he passed away on February 6, 1998.

Falco made catchy music that mixed pop and rap. He became really famous in Austria. Some of his popular songs are "Rock Me Amadeus" and "Der Kommissar."

Falco released many albums during his career, showing how good he was at making different kinds of music. People still love his songs today.

Even though Falco is not alive anymore, his music is still special. I like him because his songs are fun and different. He brought a unique style to Austrian music, and that's why he's my favourite pop rap singer.

**Haddaway:**

My favourite rapper from the '90s is Haddaway. His real name is Nestor Alexander Haddaway, and he was born on January 9, 1965, in Trinidad and Tobago.

Haddaway gained fame for his dance and rap music during the '90s. One of his most famous songs is "What Is Love," which became a worldwide hit.

Throughout his career, Haddaway released albums that were well-received, capturing the essence of the '90s music scene. His energetic beats and catchy tunes made him a standout artist of that era.

As for his personal life, Haddaway has kept it relatively private. He's known for focusing on his music career, and details about his family life are not widely known or talked about.

I like Haddaway because his songs bring back memories of the vibrant '90s music scene. His beats and rhythms have a timeless quality, and "What Is Love" remains a classic.

**Queen / Freddie Mercury:**

One of my all-time favorite bands is Queen, and a big reason for that is Freddie Mercury, the incredible lead singer. Freddie's real name was Farrokh Bulsara. Freddie was born on September 5, 1946, in Zanzibar, which is now part of Tanzania.

Freddie Mercury was not just a singer; he was also an amazing songwriter and pianist. He had a powerful and unique voice that could capture any audience. Some of Queen's famous songs, like "Bohemian Rhapsody" and "We Will Rock You," showcase Freddie's extraordinary talent.

During his career, Freddie, along with Queen, released many albums and won numerous awards. He was known for his energetic performances and his ability to connect with the audience.

Freddie Mercury sadly died on November 24, 1991, because of AIDS. Even though he is no longer with us, his impact continues through Queen's timeless music.

I love Queen because their music, led by Freddie's incredible vocals, is both powerful and emotional. It's hard not to be moved by the magic they created together.

②  Match the words with their translations. Use a dictionary, if necessary.

focus	1	☐	verbinden mit	numerous	1	☐	Berühmtheit erlangen
impact	2	☐	gut angenommen	gain fame	2	☐	sterben
well-received	3	☐	außergewöhnlich	be moved by	3	☐	am Leben, lebendig
standout artist	4	☐	ein Publikum fesseln	vibrant	4	☐	zahlreich
extraordinary	5	☐	bleiben	capture the essence of	5	☐	Fähigkeit
incredible	6	☐	achten auf, konzentrieren	pass away	6	☐	berührt werden von
remain	7	☐	unglaublich	alive	7	☐	lebendig
capture an audience	8	☐	Auswirkung	unique	8	☐	das Wesentliche einfangen
connect with	9	☐	Ausnahmekünstler	ability	9	☐	einzigartig

③  Use translation software such as [DeepL](https://www.deepl.com/) to translate these sentences into your native language.

- 1) He passed away on February 6, 1998.
- 2) Falco released many albums during his career.
- 3) Even though Falco is not alive anymore, his music is still special.
- 4) Haddaway gained fame for his dance and rap music during the '90s.
- 5) Haddaway released albums that were well-received.
- 6) Details about his family life are not widely known or talked about.
- 7) He had a unique voice that could capture any audience.
- 8) His impact continues through Queen's timeless music.



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④  Choose **five words** or **phrases** from **exercise 2** and **two sentences** of **exercise 3** that you could use in your own text about your favourite musician.