

John Lennon

Introduction

Ask and answer the following question with a partner.

1. Have you ever heard of him?
2. What do you know about him?
3. Have you ever heard his songs? Do you have a favorite song of his?

Vocabulary

insane

damnation

mania

avantgarde

way down the line

assess

naked

Listening I : "Imagine"

Dictation: Listen to his song and fill in the blanks below

Imagine _____

You may say that I'm a dreamer

It's easy if you try

But I'm not the only one

No hell below us

I hope _____

Above us only sky

And _____

Imagine all the people

Imagine _____

I wonder if you can

No need for _____

Imagine _____

A brotherhood of man

It isn't hard to do

Imagine all the people

Nothing to kill or die for

And _____ too

Imagine all the people

You may say that I'm a dreamer

But I'm not the only one

I hope _____

And _____

Listening II :His political activity

Watch the video and listen for the answers to these questions

1. How did John describe the people who are ruling our society?
2. Did John think that countries have given people freedom?
3. What did he say about the relation between government and people? And what should we make people aware of ?
4. What did John and Yoko have in common?
5. By what did they think they could work for peace?

Discussion topic

1. What's your opinion about entertainers such as musicians announcing their political claims, criticizing government, or even starting a peace (or political) movement?
2. Is it good for them to do so? Why or Why not?
3. Do you think there is a connection between rock 'n' roll music and social issues/political issues?
4. In the song "Imagine" John wanted a world with no religion and government. Do you think that is possible? Why or why not? If you think it's possible, what would it look like?