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Rock superstar Prince dies at 57

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THE READING

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The rock star Prince has died at his home in Minneapolis, aged 57. Last week, he went to hospital with dehydration and the flu. His death has shocked the entertainment world. Madonna wrote online: "He changed the world. A true visionary." Barack Obama called him, "one of the most gifted and prolific musicians of our time". He said: "Prince...was a virtuoso instrumentalist...and an electrifying performer."

Prince Rogers Nelson was the son of a jazz pianist. He became famous in the 1970s. His singing, songs, guitar playing, and performances changed the music world for four decades. The Washington Post called him, "one of the most popular, inventive and influential recording artists of his generation". The music magazine 'Rolling Stone' put Prince at number 27 on its list of the 100 Greatest Artists of All Time.

Sources: <http://www.rollingstone.com/music/news/prince-dead-at-57-20160421>
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VOCABULARY MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. rock | a. our time |
| 2. he went to hospital | b. star |
| 3. His death has shocked the | c. and prolific |
| 4. Madonna wrote | d. entertainment world |
| 5. He changed the | e. performer |
| 6. one of the most gifted | f. with dehydration |
| 7. musicians of | g. world |
| 8. an electrifying | h. online |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. the son of a jazz | a. popular |
| 2. He became famous | b. playing |
| 3. guitar | c. his generation |
| 4. changed the music | d. in the 1970s |
| 5. for four | e. world |
| 6. one of the most | f. pianist |
| 7. influential recording artists of | g. of All Time |
| 8. the 100 Greatest Artists | h. decades |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The rock star Prince (1) _____ home in Minneapolis, aged 57. Last week, (2) _____ hospital with dehydration and the flu. His death has shocked the (3) _____. Madonna wrote online: "He changed the world. (4) _____." Barack Obama called him, "one of the most gifted and (5) _____ of our time". He said: "Prince...was a virtuoso instrumentalist... (6) _____ performer."

Prince Rogers Nelson was (7) _____ jazz pianist. He became famous (8) _____. His singing, songs, guitar playing, and performances (9) _____ world for four decades. The Washington Post called him, "one (10) _____, inventive and influential recording artists (11) _____". The music magazine 'Rolling Stone' put Prince at number 27 on its list of the 100 Greatest (12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a)

b)

c)

d)

e)

f)

g)

h)

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a)

b)

c)

d)

e)

f)

g)

h)
