1972 Vocabulary Matching

Match the words on the left to their definitions on the right.

1	arms	.....	a	money received for the loss or damage of something
2	attempt	.....	b	the rights of everyone in a society
3	ballad	.....	c	the number of people who live in a particular place
4	biological	.....	d	death caused deliberately by oneself
5	burglary	.....	e	relating to living things
6	civil rights	.....	f	rhythm and blues
7	commit	.....	g	worry
8	compensation	.....	h	a drug known to cause serious damage to unborn babies
9	concern	.....	i	a thing that travels regularly around the Earth in space
10	conference	.....	j	a prize awarded for excellence in the music industry in the US
11	contest	.....	k	to try to do something
12	effect	.....	l	men who use guns to commit a crime or violent act
13	gangster	.....	m	a member of an organized crime group
14	global	.....	n	the crime of entering a building to steal something
15	Grammy	.....	o	relating to the whole world
16	gunmen	.....	p	to compete for
17	limit	.....	q	not carrying a weapon of any kind
18	military	.....	r	relating to war or armed forces
19	occupation	.....	s	the sun and the planets which move around it
20	population	.....	t	job, or the control of a place by an army or group of people
21	R&B	.....	u	a detailed plan or methods for achieving success
22	recognize	.....	v	to acknowledge the existence of something or someone
23	satellite	.....	w	a style of music that is a mix of gospel and rhythm and blues
24	smallpox	.....	x	the result of a particular event
25	solar system	.....	y	a very dangerous disease causing spots on the skin and death
26	soul	.....	z	a slow form of popular love song
27	strategy	.....	☭	to stop something getting too much or too many
28	suicide	.....	☮	a meeting or event with talks about a specific subject
29	thalidomide	.....	☺	to do something that is considered wrong
30	unarmed	.....	☯	weapons

1972 Songs - Fluency Practice

To access a listening exercise with short clips of the songs below, visit www.eflclub.com/music.html.

Listen and repeat. Then, without the textbook, try to repeat after your partner.

"Alone Again (Naturally)" is a pop ballad sung by singer-songwriter Gilbert O'Sullivan.

The song is about a person who wants to commit suicide after being left alone.

It is also about the death of one's parents.

"American Pie" is a folk rock song sung by singer-songwriter Don McLean.

The song is about the death of a musician who was McLean's childhood hero.

The song is well known for its unclear words.

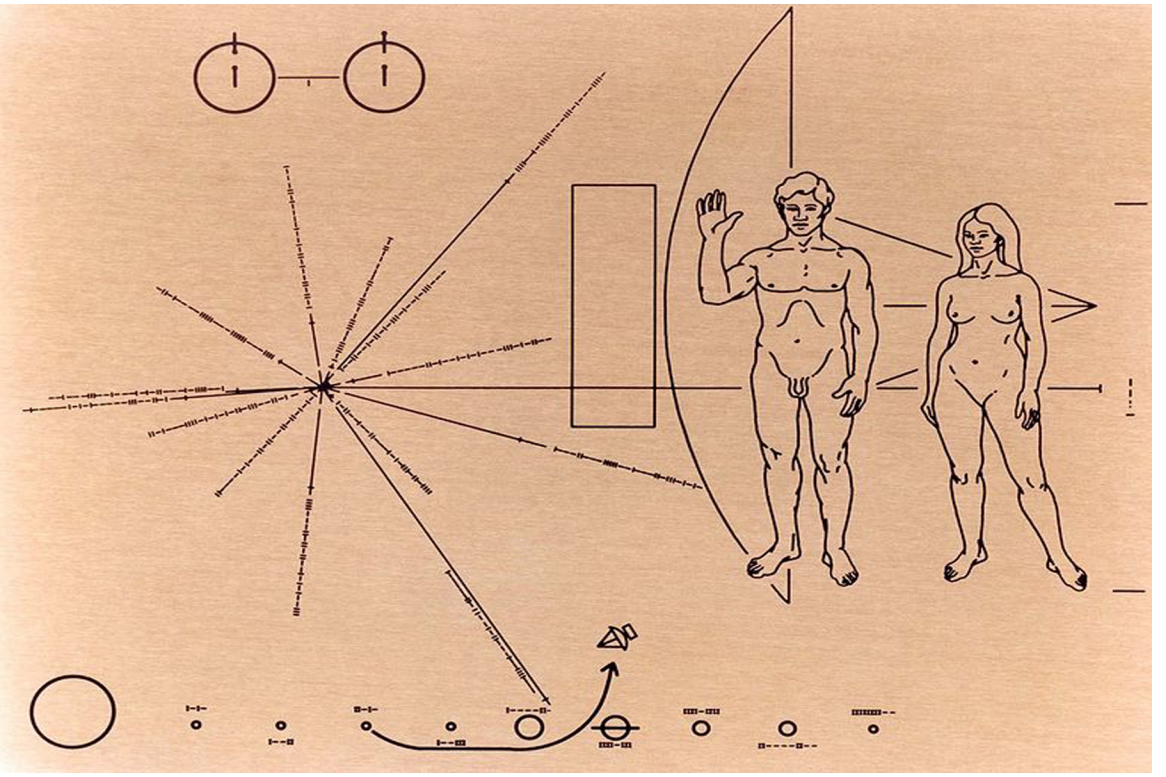
"Ben" is a pop, R&B soul song sung by Michael Jackson.

Jackson was 14 when he first sang this number one hit.

"The First Time I Ever Saw Your Face" is a pop song sung by Roberta Flack.

The song won her a Grammy for Song of the Year.

This image is related to an event of 1972. Can you talk about it for one minute?



What happened in 1972?

Say these sentences.

1 Arab gunmen killed 11 Israeli athletes at the Summer Olympics in Germany.

2 The first Watergate burglaries took place.

3 Soviet and American leaders agreed to limit arms production.

4 The UN held its first conference to discuss global environmental concerns.

5 General Idi Amin ordered 50,000 Asians to leave Uganda.

6 Thalidomide victims of the late fifties and early sixties received compensation.

7 A Russian and an American contested the world chess championship.

8 The Volkswagen Beetle became the world's most popular car.

9 A man-made satellite left the solar system for the first time.

10 The popular tennis video game "Pong" was released.

Listen. Write your partner's sentences.

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Say these sentences.

1 British soldiers killed 14 unarmed civil rights marchers in Ireland.

2 President Nixon became the first US president to visit China.

3 World leaders agreed to stop biological weapons production.

4 An important book about world population growth was written.

5 Okinawa was returned to Japan after 27 years of military occupation.

6 There was a smallpox outbreak in Eastern Europe.

7 Women officially entered and ran a marathon for the first time.

8 East Germany and West Germany officially recognized each other.

9 The Apollo 17 landing on the moon became the last Apollo mission.

10 People went to see "The Godfather" at the cinema.

Face to Face

Take turns asking and answering questions. Have fun talking. Write her answers.

1 What famous burglary took place in 1972? .....

2 What was the world's most popular car in 1972? .....

3 Do you know anyone who has attempted suicide? .....

4 Who was your childhood hero? .....

5 Why did Arab gunmen kill Israeli Olympic athletes? .....

6 Which countries have made biological weapons? .....

7 Are you concerned about world population growth? .....

8 What global issue are you interested in? .....

9 What is thalidomide? .....

10 If you visited China, what would you do? .....

11 Have you seen the movie, "The Godfather"? .....

12 What do you think of the US occupation of Japan? .....

13 What do you think of Beetle cars? .....

14 For what reasons can people claim compensation? .....

15 Do you like to play video games such as "Pong"? .....

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Take turns asking and answering questions. Have fun talking. Write her answers.

1 Who was the first US president ever to visit China? .....

2 Who sang "Ben" in 1972? .....

3 What effect would losing a parent have on you? .....

4 What do you think of Michael Jackson? .....

5 What were the Watergate burglaries about? .....

6 Do you think arms production is a necessary evil? .....

7 Are you concerned about the environment? .....

8 What can be done to slow down population growth? .....

9 What is smallpox? .....

10 If you visited Russia, what would you do? .....

11 What gangster movie is the best you have seen? .....

12 Do you think there is life beyond our solar system? .....

13 Why weren't women allowed to run in marathons? .....

14 Do you know of anyone who has been expelled? .....

15 Do you like strategy games such as chess? .....

Conduct a Survey

Use the topics or words of this unit to help you write a class survey question.

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Ask your question to everyone in the class and record their answers below.

Draw a bar graph of your results.

Write a short summary of your survey.

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Tell your group or class about your survey.

Research and Write

Research one of the topics of 1972 below using the library or the Internet.

Bloody Sunday

Pioneer 10

The 1972 Munich Olympics

The Godfather

The Limits to Growth

The Stockholm Conference

The Volkswagen Beetle

The Watergate Burglaries

In your own words, write an essay about your chosen topic.

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