

1987 Vocabulary Matching

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

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| 1 | anti-depressant | | a | a religion revealed by Mohammed as the prophet of Allah |
| 2 | capsize | ..... | b | an unpleasant feeling in the body when you are hurt |
| 3 | convict | ..... | c | a method of trying to improve the health of a sick person |
| 4 | criminal | ..... | d | to announce that a person is guilty and should be punished |
| 5 | death | ..... | e | to bring two or more people together again |
| 6 | disposable | ..... | f | information that is used to decide whether something is true |
| 7 | drown | ..... | g | having no nuclear energy or weapons |
| 8 | evidence | ..... | h | the business of providing services for holiday travellers |
| 9 | failure | ..... | i | a place where people can buy and sell shares of a company |
| 10 | hit | ..... | j | the opposite of success |
| 11 | humanity | ..... | k | the number of people who live in a particular place |
| 12 | Islam | ..... | l | a star which has exploded and become very bright |
| 13 | Nazi | ..... | m | to make shorter |
| 14 | nuclear-free | ..... | n | a very strong wind that starts in the Pacific Ocean |
| 15 | pain | ..... | o | success, especially in the music world |
| 16 | population | ..... | p | the political leader of a country which has no royal family |
| 17 | president | ..... | q | a style of music that is a mix of gospel and rhythm and blues |
| 18 | promote | ..... | r | the end of a life of a person or living thing |
| 19 | reunite | ..... | s | the condition of being human |
| 20 | shorten | ..... | t | to cause a boat or ship to fall onto one side |
| 21 | soft rock | ..... | u | to die because of being under water for too long a time |
| 22 | soul | ..... | v | a person who agrees with the ideas of Adolph Hitler |
| 23 | stock market | ..... | w | a drug which helps a person to feel less sad or less worried |
| 24 | supernova | ..... | x | a long thin tube used to look at things which are far away |
| 25 | telescope | ..... | y | to encourage the sale of something |
| 26 | tourism | ..... | z | to love and respect deeply |
| 27 | treatment | ..... | ♻ | expected to be thrown away after using |
| 28 | typhoon | ..... | ⊕ | a type of music which is not as heavy as hard rock |
| 29 | well-known | ..... | ☺ | famous or known by many people |
| 30 | worship | ..... | ☹ | a person who has broken the law |

1987 Songs - Fluency Practice

The songs and a listening worksheet are available at <http://www.eflclub.com/music.html>.

Listen and repeat.

“Lady In Red” is a soft rock song sung by Chris De Burgh.

It was inspired by the memory of seeing his wife for the first time.

“Don’t Dream It’s Over” is a soft rock song performed by Crowded House.

The New Zealand band’s song was popular worldwide.

Their song has often been used to promote tourism in their country.

“With Or Without You” is a rock song by Irish band U2.

It is about the pain of being with and also without a person one loves very much.

The song was their first hit in America, and is one of their most well-known songs.

“Didn’t We Almost Have It All” is a soul song sung by Whitney Houston.

It is about wishing for reuniting a relationship because of happy memories.

This photo was taken in 1987. Can you talk about it for one minute?



What happened in 1987?

Say these sentences.

- 1 The world's population reached five billion.
- 2 A new drug was introduced for the treatment of AIDS.
- 3 There were major stock market crashes around the world.
- 4 An underground fire at a London train station killed thirty-one people.
- 5 A supernova could be seen in the sky without a telescope.
- 6 One hundred and eighty people drowned after a ferry capsized near Belgium.
- 7 Prime minister Margaret Thatcher of the UK was elected for the third time.
- 8 A Nazi war criminal was found guilty of crimes against humanity.
- 9 A typhoon killed over one thousand people in the Philippines.
- 10 Four hundred Islamic worshipers died in a riot in Mecca.

Listen. Write your partner's sentences.

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What happened in 1987?

Say these sentences.

- 1 A criminal in the UK was convicted using DNA evidence.
- 2 The year was shortened by one second.
- 3 People started to wear disposable contact lenses.
- 4 The first episode of The Simpsons was broadcast.
- 5 A new anti-depressant drug became available in the US.
- 6 An expensive search for the Loch Ness monster ended in failure.
- 7 New Zealand became a nuclear-free zone.
- 8 The president of the US asked the Soviet leader to tear down the Berlin Wall.
- 9 A ferry capsized in the Philippines leaving over four thousand people dead.
- 10 The Princess Bride, Fatal Attraction, and Wall Street were on at the cinema.

Listen. Write your partner's sentences.

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Face To Face

Ask and answer the questions with your partner.

- 1 What was the world's population in 1987?
- 2 Which country became nuclear-free in 1987?
- 3 Which religious city had a riot in 1987?
- 4 Who or what do you worship?
- 5 What have you seen looking through a telescope?
- 6 What disposable products do you use?
- 7 What do you think of The Simpsons?
- 8 Would you invest money in the stock market?
- 9 Have you ever taken a drug to treat an illness?
- 10 How often do you get typhoons in your country?
- 11 Do you think a nuclear-free policy is a good idea?
- 12 Have you ever gone on holiday by ferry?
- 13 Which tourist spots are promoted in your country?
- 14 Have you ever wished to reunite a relationship?
- 15 If you went to New Zealand, what would you do?

Face to Face

Ask and answer the questions with your partner.

- 1 What happened to stock markets in 1987?
- 2 Who was elected prime minister of the UK in 1987?
- 3 Which Asian country had a ferry accident in 1987?
- 4 What do you think of the religion of Islam?
- 5 Would you like to see a supernova?
- 6 What do you think of disposable chopsticks?
- 7 What are some well-known songs in your country?
- 8 What is the world's population now?
- 9 Do you know anyone who takes antidepressants?
- 10 Which is worse, death by drowning or by fire?
- 11 Which is better, nuclear or fossil fuel energy?
- 12 How often do you travel on an underground train?
- 13 Have you ever seen a capsized boat or ship?
- 14 What monsters are well-known in your country?
- 15 If you visited Mecca, what would you do?

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.

