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Judge the Person, Not the Piaylist

Part 1: Silent read

→ Is it okay to judge people based on their taste in music? Read silently.

Do you listen to Taylor Swift or Pitbull? Do you rap along with Kendrick Lamar or sing along with Justin Bieber? People may judge you based on the music you enjoy.

In many people's eyes, different kinds of music are linked to different kinds of listeners. If you like hip-hop, people may think you are rude or even dangerous. If classical music is your preference, people may view you as nerdy. If you like country, people may think you also like trucks and guns. Are these pictures true?

Some studies say that music preferences may, in fact, tell us something about a person. One study found that people with more education tended to like opera, classical, and jazz music. The study found that classical music fans earned higher salaries than fans of pop music.

Other studies have found links between heavy metal and negative behavior. If you listen to Korn or Anthrax, you may be more likely to use drugs, behave aggressively, and commit crimes.

One teen, Yvelis, is sick of music stereotypes. Because she is Puerto Rican, everyone thinks she likes reggaeton. Reggaeton, a blend of salsa, hip-hop, and dancehall, is popular among many Hispanics. However, Yvelis hates reggaeton. "It sounds like you're banging on a garbage can," she says. Her playlist includes a wide mix of music styles.

What do you think? Does a playlist give you good information about a person? Or is it unfair to judge people this way?

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// one minute

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| Part 2: First timed read WPM | |
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Part 3: Comprehension and discussion

What are music stereotypes?

What does some research show about classical music fans?

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Part 4: Phrase-cued reading

- Read the passage **out loud** in phrases to your partner.
- → Pause at each / mark for a phrase.
- → Also pause at each // mark that shows the end of a sentence.

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■ I read the passage in phrases out loud to my partner.

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