

Learning songs to perform at Voice in a Million

Key composer, genre and instruments

Robbie Williams

Robert Peter Williams is an English singer and entertainer. He found fame as a member of the pop group *Take That* from 1990 to 1995, but achieved greater commercial success with his solo career, beginning in 1996.



Robbie was born on 13 February 1974. In 1990, when he was just 16 years old, his mother read an advertisement seeking members for a new boy band and suggested that he try out for the group. Robbie passed the audition and became the youngest member of the band.

Take That was formed in Manchester in 1990. Its members were Gary Barlow, Howard Donald, Robbie Williams, Mark Owen and Jason Orange. Robbie Achieved much success with the band but, to the fans' great dismay, he left the band to go solo in 1995. Take That stayed together, and three of the band still write songs and perform.



Williams has released seven UK number one singles and eleven out of his twelve studio albums have reached number one in the UK. Robbie's top songs include Angels, Millennium and Let me Entertain You. Robbie has received a record eighteen Brit Awards—winning Best British Male Artist four times, two awards for Outstanding Contribution to Music and the 2017 Brits Icon for his 'lasting impact on British culture'.



Key Skills

- Sing from memory with confidence.
- Know and practise appropriate breathing exercises and why this helps with singing.
- Use voices with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression
- Perform with controlled breathing.
- Sing a harmony part of a song and hold the tune.
- Sing with expression.
- Perform actions as part of the songs.



Relevant songs and music for listening

- Champion
- Uptown Funk
- Let me Entertain You
- Fix You
- Human
- Don't give up on Me
- Unstoppable
- Try Everything
- Giant
- The Show must Go on
- Chosen Family

Key Vocabulary

vocals	Voices
backing	Music without vocals.
good posture	A way of standing to enable good breathing and singing.
solo artist	A singer on their own.
Funk music	Funk music is a style of dance music that evolved from the Black R&B, soul, and jazz scenes in the mid-1960s. Funk music is characterized by funky, syncopated bass lines and steady, infectious drum grooves, which drove it to become one of the most popular genres in the 1970s and '80s.
'90s pop	Popular music of the 1990s.
upbeat	Music which is uplifting and positive, often with a strong pulse.
harmony	Singing in different parts which sound nice together.

