

e-lesson

Week starting: 31st July 2006

The King

The subject of this week's lesson is "The King of Rock 'n' Roll", Elvis Presley, who died on 16th August 1977.

Level

Upper-intermediate and above

How to use the lesson

1. Brainstorm what your students know about Elvis.

2. Divide the students into pairs, then give them each a copy of Worksheet A. Tell them the text on the worksheet contains precisely twenty-five mistakes, and it is their job to work together in order to find and correct them.
 Allow at least 10-15 minutes for this task, and encourage students to spend the first few minutes reading through the text, and looking up any new vocabulary, before they start concentrating on finding the mistakes.
 Tell the students that some of the mistakes are grammatical while others are due to the wrong choice of word, and that in a few cases there is more than one way of correcting them. Also point out that none of the corrections require students to write more than one word.

3. Check answers in open class by referring to Worksheet B, which contains the corrected text with all the changes highlighted, then give every student a copy of Worksheet B and Worksheet C.

4. In pairs give the students a couple of minutes to identify and correct the two song titles that contain "mistakes" on Worksheet C. Check answers in open class.

Answers

Part A (25 mistakes/corrections): see Worksheet B

Part B (song titles)

The two songs are *Love Me Tender* and *Are You Lonesome Tonight?*, because strictly speaking they should read *Love Me Tenderly* and *Are You Lonely Tonight?*

Related Websites

Send your students to these websites, or just take a look yourself.

<http://www.elvis.com/>

The official Elvis website.

<http://www.quotesandsayings.com/gelvispresley.htm>

A short biographical text followed by a selection of quotes from Elvis himself.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Elvis_sightings

A text From *Wikipedia* on the curious and persistent phenomenon of Elvis sightings.