

Michael Jackson – Glossary

album noun [countable]

a CD, record, or cassette with several songs or pieces of music on it

bizarre adjective

strange and difficult to explain
bizarre behaviour

boy band noun [countable]

a pop group consisting of attractive young men who usually sing and dance rather than write music or play instruments

childlike adjective

similar to the way a child looks, behaves, or thinks, and usually pleasant for that reason

chimpanzee noun [countable]

an African animal with black or brown fur that lives and hunts in groups. It belongs to the ape family, which is the most similar to humans.

compensate verb [intransitive]

to change or remove the bad result of something

cosmetic surgery noun [uncountable]

medical operations that improve someone's appearance

downhill adverb

to get worse

fairground noun [countable]

an area of land that is used for fairs

heart attack noun [countable]

an occasion when someone suddenly has a lot of pain in their chest and their heart stops working
He died of a heart attack.

height noun [singular]

the time or level of greatest activity
The excitement was at its height.

influential adjective

able to influence the way other people think or behave

label noun [countable]

a company that produces records
They signed to one of the smaller independent labels.

number one noun [countable]

in popular music, the record that has sold the most copies in a particular week

performer noun [countable]

someone who performs in front of an audience, for example an actor or musician

pop music noun [uncountable]

a type of music, usually played on electronic instruments, that is popular with many people because it consists of short songs with a strong beat and simple tunes that are easy to remember. Pop music is often simply called pop.

ranch noun [countable]

a large farm that produces a particular crop or animal

rehearse verb [intransitive/transitive]

to practise a play, concert, opera etc before giving a performance

sign verb [transitive]

to officially employ someone to work for a particular organization

solo noun [countable]

a piece of music or a part of a piece of music that is performed by one person

superstar noun [countable]

someone such as a film actor or pop musician who is extremely famous

tour verb [intransitive/transitive]

if a show, play, or concert tours, it is performed in several different places
The show was immensely popular and toured 33 European cities.

troubled adjective

worried about the problems that you have

video noun [countable/uncountable]

a film that is recorded onto videotape

zombie noun [countable]

someone who does not seem to know or care about what is happening around them and moves very slowly, especially because they are very upset or tired