

Two songs

Read the lyrics online, watch the videos and do the following tasks.

Song 1 / Coldplay: Viva La Vida

Task 1 Find in the text and copy.

- a) a body and colour idiom (*five words*) - _____

- b) three words with a silent letter - _____, _____ and _____

Task 2 Find the word in the lyrics that fits the paraphrase (Don't change the form!)

- a) blocks that have six sides with a different number of spots
 on each side used in games: _____
- b) tall upright posts used as a support for a roof or bridge: _____
- c) groups of people who sing together: _____
- d) a large piece of metal that soldiers used to protect themselves : _____

Task 3 Write the moral of the lyrics! What is the song about in your opinion?

Song 2 / The Killers: Boots

Task 1 Find one word in the lyrics that fits the paraphrase (Don't change the form!)

- a) the line along which someone is moving - _____
- b) the opposite of 'above' - _____
- c) a spice that goes well with apples - _____
- d) to put one's foot down very hard- _____

Task 2 Answer the questions.

- a) Why is 'It's a Wonderful Life' written in capital letters?

- b) What lines / images tell you that the story takes place at Christmas time?

- c) What scenes do you remember from the video?

Answer key

Song 1

Task 1: head on a silver plate, castles, sword, honest, used to

Task 2: dice, pillars, choirs, shield

Task 3: It's about ups and downs of life. One day you can have everything, the next day you might lose it all.

Song 2

Task 1: path, below, cinnamon, stomp

Task 2:

a) It's the name of a famous Christmas movie.

b) silent night, cinnamon candles, brand new year coming, snowball fights

c) The guy traded his underpants for a CD player. He performed music in the street. He raised the money to buy his children Christmas presents. He quickly went to Dollar Store. His wife took him back with a hug.