

## Grade 9, Western Music, Term (I)

### **Let us enjoy ourselves singing pop songs**

**Competency**                **8.0** - Ability to present satisfactory performing using Vocal Technique

**Competency Level** **8.1** - Singing popular songs

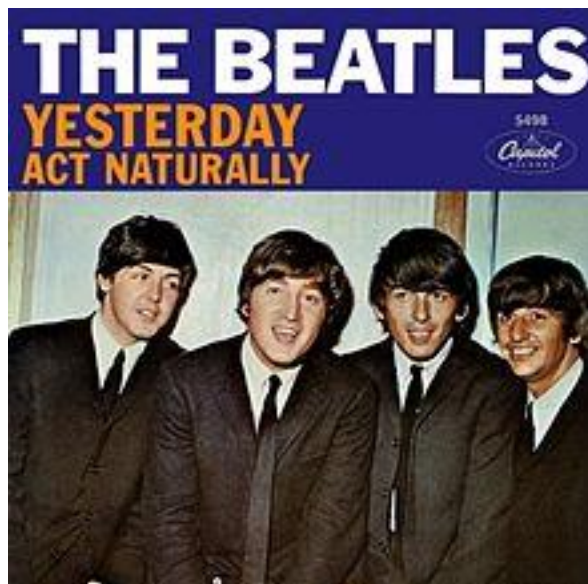
**Activity**                    **8.1.3** - Let us enjoy ourselves singing pop songs

### **Pop music**

**Pop** is a genre of popular music that originated in its modern form during the mid-1950s in the United States and the United Kingdom. These forms and styles can be enjoyed and performed by people with little or no musical training. Popular music songs and pieces typically have easily singable melodies. It stands in contrast to both art music and traditional or "folk" music. Popular music is a generic term for a wide variety of genres of music that appeal to the tastes of a large segment of the population, whereas pop music usually refers to a specific musical genre within popular music.

#### Yesterday ( Beatles song )

"Yesterday" is a song by the English rock band the Beatles, written by Paul McCartney and credited to Lennon–McCartney. It was first released on the album Help! in August 1965, except in the United States, where it was issued as a single in September. The song reached number one on the US charts. It was first recorded 17 June 1965 and released 6 August 1965.



**Yesterday**  
All my troubles seemed so far away  
Now it looks as though they're here to stay  
Oh, I believe in yesterday

**Suddenly**  
I'm not half the man I used to be  
There's a shadow hangin' over me  
Oh, yesterday came suddenly

**Why she had to go, I don't know, she wouldn't say  
I said something wrong, now I long for yesterday**

**Yesterday**  
Love was such an easy game to play  
Now I need a place to hide away  
Oh, I believe in yesterday

**Why she had to go, I don't know, she wouldn't say  
I said something wrong, now I long for yesterday**

**Yesterday**  
Love was such an easy game to play  
Now I need a place to hide away  
Oh, I believe in yesterday  
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### **Country Roads**

"Take Me Home, Country Roads", also known simply as "Take Me Home" or "Country Roads", is a song written by Bill Danoff, Taffy Nivert and John Denver about West Virginia. The song became one of John Denver's most popular and beloved songs. It has continued to sell, with over 1.6 million digital copies sold in the United States.



**Almost heaven, West Virginia  
Blue Ridge Mountains, Shenandoah River  
Life is old there, older than the trees  
Younger than the mountains, growin' like a breeze**

**Country roads, take me home  
To the place I belong  
West Virginia, mountain mama  
Take me home, country roads**

**All my memories gather 'round her  
Miner's lady, stranger to blue water  
Dark and dusty, painted on the sky  
Misty taste of moonshine, teardrop in my eye**

**Country roads, take me home  
To the place I belong  
West Virginia, mountain mama  
Take me home, country roads**

**I hear her voice in the mornin' hour, she calls me  
The radio reminds me of my home far away  
Drivin' down the road, I get a feelin'  
That I should've been home yesterday, yesterday**

**Country roads, take me home  
To the place I belong  
West Virginia, mountain mama  
Take me home, country roads**

**Country roads, take me home  
To the place I belong  
West Virginia, mountain mama  
Take me home, country roads**

**Take me home, (down) country roads  
Take me home, (down) country roads**

"Top of the World" is a 1972 song written by Richard Carpenter and John Betis that became number one on the Billboard Hot 100 in 1973 for two consecutive weeks.



**Such a feelin's comin' over me  
There is wonder in most every thing I see  
Not a cloud in the sky, got the sun in my eyes  
And I won't be surprised if it's a dream**

**Everything I want the world to be  
Is now comin' true especially for me  
And the reason is clear, it's because you are here  
You're the nearest thing to heaven that I've seen**

**I'm on the top of the world lookin' down on creation  
And the only explanation I can find  
Is the love that I've found, ever since you've been around  
Your love's put me at the top of the world**

**Something in the wind has learned my name  
And it's tellin' me that things are not the same  
In the leaves on the trees, and the touch of the breeze  
There's a pleasing sense of happiness for me**

**There is only one wish on my mind  
When this day is through I hope that I will find  
That tomorrow will be, just the same for you and me  
All I need will be mine if you are here**

**I'm on the top of the world lookin' down on creation  
And the only explanation I can find  
Is the love that I've found, ever since you've been around  
Your love's put me at the top of the world**

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Your love's put me at the top of the world**

### **I Have a Dream**

"I Have a Dream" is a song sung by the Swedish pop group ABBA.



**I Have a Dream, a song to sing  
To help me cope, with anything  
If you see the wonder, of a fairy tale  
You can take the future, even if you fail**

**I believe in angels  
Something good in everything I see  
I believe in angels  
When I know the time is right for me  
I'll cross the stream, I Have a Dream**

**I Have a Dream, a fantasy  
To help me through, reality  
And my destination, makes it worth the while  
Pushin' through the darkness, still another mile**

**I believe in angels  
Something good in everything I see  
I believe in angels  
When I know the time is right for me**

**I'll cross the stream, I Have a Dream  
I'll cross the stream, I Have a Dream**

**I Have a Dream, a song to sing  
To help me cope, with anything  
If you see the wonder, of a fairy tale  
You can take the future, even if you fail**

**I believe in angels  
Something good in everything I see  
I believe in angels  
When I know the time is right for me  
I'll cross the stream, I Have a Dream  
I'll cross the stream, I Have a Dream**

Listen carefully to these songs. By listening to the songs over and over again you will be able to enjoy the songs better.

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