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Level 0

Kendrick Lamar wins Pulitzer Prize for music

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Please try Levels 1, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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Kendrick Lamar is the first rapper to win the Pulitzer Prize for music. He won for his album "DAMN". The 30-year-old songwriter rapped about being black in the USA. His songs became well known after police shootings of black people. Pulitzer said his album was a masterly song collection about "the modern African-American life".

The Pulitzer Prize for music started in 1943. Kendrick Lamar is the best selling musician to win it. Classical musicians usually win. Pulitzer said the prize went to "the best work". They said the album "shines a [new] light on hip-hop." Sky News said Lamar won for his "deep" lyrics and his mix of different musical styles.

Sources: <https://news.sky.com/story/kendrick-lamar-becomes-first-non-classical-or-jazz-musician-to-win-pulitzer-prize-11334352>
<https://www.rollingstone.com/music/news/kendrick-lamars-pulitzer-win-is-just-the-beginning-w519246>
<https://www.nytimes.com/2018/04/16/arts/music/kendrick-lamar-pulitzer-prize-damn.html>

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. is the first rapper to win the | a. songwriter |
| 2. He won for his album | b. collection |
| 3. The 30-year-old | c. "DAMN" |
| 4. rapped about being black | d. American life |
| 5. His songs became well | e. shootings |
| 6. police | f. Pulitzer Prize |
| 7. a masterly song | g. known |
| 8. the modern African- | h. in the USA |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. The Pulitzer Prize | a. light on hip-hop |
| 2. started in | b. lyrics |
| 3. the best selling | c. for music |
| 4. Classical musicians | d. styles |
| 5. the prize went to | e. usually win |
| 6. shines a new | f. "the best work" |
| 7. Lamar won for his "deep" | g. musician |
| 8. his mix of different musical | h. 1943 |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Kendrick Lamar is (1) _____ to win the Pulitzer Prize for music. He won (2) _____ "DAMN". The 30-year-old songwriter (3) _____ being black in the USA. His songs became (4) _____ police shootings (5) _____. Pulitzer said his album was a masterly song (6) _____ "the modern African-American life".

The Pulitzer Prize for (7) _____ 1943. Kendrick Lamar is (8) _____ musician to win it. Classical musicians (9) _____. Pulitzer said the prize went to "(10) _____. They said the album "shines (11) _____ on hip-hop." Sky News said Lamar won for his "deep" lyrics and his mix of different (12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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RAPPERS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about rappers in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

WRITING

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Write about **rappers** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.
