



Local Heroes: Singers and Songwriters

Name of Artist / Band:	Sam Fender	
Style of Music:	Indie Rock	
When they started releasing songs:	2018	
Top Five Hits	<u>Name of Song</u>	<u>YouTube Link</u>
1.	<i>Will we talk</i>	https://youtu.be/axaClSkI_3A
2.	<i>Hypersonic missiles</i>	https://youtu.be/DdtxeOKyljk
3.	<i>That sound</i>	https://youtu.be/frpG0xKORE8
4.	<i>The Borders</i>	https://youtu.be/QDZdZNidB24
5.	<i>Dead Boys</i>	https://youtu.be/2t5P6YGLqek

Suggested Tasks

Four blue speech bubbles containing the following tasks:

- Create a fact file about this singer or band.
- Pick one of the top five songs and answer listening questions
- Complete the research task
- Learn to play a song or piece by this band or artist

Useful Websites:

- https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sam_Fender
- <https://www.samfender.com>
- <https://www.allmusic.com/artist/sam-fender-mn0003776943/biography>

Photograph of Performer:



Listening Task

Pick one of the “top five” songs and answer the following questions:

Name of song:

1. Name the instruments and voices you can hear:

2. Is this piece in a major (sounds happy) or minor (sounds sad) key?

3. How would you describe the mood of the music? You can talk about how the music makes you feel, or the lyrics if the piece is a song.

4. How is the piece structured? Does it have a clear beginning, middle and end? How would you describe the sections of the music? The piece might be divided into verses / choruses if it is a song, for example.

5. Describe the dynamics (the volume) and the tempo (the speed) of the music. Is it loud or quiet? Fast or slow? Do the dynamics and tempo change at all?

Local Heroes: Sam Fender

Sam Fender (born Samuel Thomas Fender on 25 April 1994) is a singer-songwriter from the North East who was named one of the BBC's Sound of 2018 alongside other emerging artists including Sigrid and Lewis Capaldi. His single "Play God" was featured in the FIFA 19 video game. He won the Brit Awards Critics' Choice for 2019.

Fender was a teenager when he began performing in pubs throughout North Shields. He was spotted in a pub by Ben Howard's manager, Owain Davies. He released his debut album 'Hypersonic Missiles' in 2019.

Research Questions

1. Which award did Sam Fender win in 2019?
2. How old is Sam fender?
3. Which two High Schools in North Tyneside did Sam attend?
4. In which pub was Sam fender spotted by his manager?
5. Which American musician was a massive influence on Sam Fender?

Did you know?

Sam Fender supports Newcastle United Football team.

