

# Music makes the world go round

Idiom of the month

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## 1. What can we do to make the world a better place? Match the sentence halves

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|--------------|----------------------------|
| 1. Eliminate | a. renewable energy        |
| 2. Use       | b. the arts more at school |
| 3. Promote   | c. the planet              |
| 4. Teach     | d. poverty                 |
| 5. Respect   | e. diversity               |

## 2a. Read

Turn that music down, Max!

Sammy, this is folk music from India.

I've never heard of it.

Exactly, Sammy. You should listen to it.  
Music makes the world go round.

**2b. Complete**

I love going to music festivals and singing and dancing with people of different ages and from different places; it's true, \_\_\_\_\_.

*Without the joy and connection to other people and cultures that music brings to our lives, the world would be a poorer place. 'Music makes the world go round' means that without music, we would lose a vital part of our everyday lives: our ability to relate to others.*

**3. Tick the 4 reasons why 'music makes the world go round'.**

- a. we learn about other cultures through music
- b. we make new friends through music
- c. we can express our emotions through songs
- d. we stay up late listening to music
- e. we learn new languages through song lyrics.
- f. we eat chocolate when we listen to music

**4. What other things do you think make the world go round?****5. Share your ideas with a partner. Do you agree?**

## Teacher's Notes

### 1. Tick

1d

2a

3e

4b

5c

**2b.** I love going to music festivals and singing and dancing with people of different ages and from different places; it's true, music makes the world go round.

### 3. Tick

a

b

c

e

**4.** Elicit some nouns that have positive connotations and make the world a better place. Some ideas: love, friendship, kindness, family. Some cynics suggest that 'money makes the world go round'. Discuss this with your students.