Conversation starters

Playlist for Life

Playlist for Life is a charity that specialises in harnessing the power of music to connect people, and to help those living with dementia and those who care for them. **We want everyone to have their own playlist of music that means something to them.**

The 'soundtrack of your life' is a personal collection of songs that gives you that flashback feeling whenever you hear them. Start building the soundtrack of your life by collecting your musical memories using the prompts below. You can start with any prompt you like. On the next page you can create a playlist for someone else.

This playlist belongs to:

| Your 'Memory Bump' (strong memories formed aged 10-30) Can you think of songs that remind you of your youth? | | Party tunes Which songs always get you dancing and/or singing along? | |
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| Song | • | Song | • |
| Memories | | Memories | • |
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| Special moments and milestones Which songs take you back to a special memory in your life? | | Hobbies, interests and beliefs Are there pieces of music that make you think of a group that you belong to? | |
| Song | • | Song | • |
| Memories | | Memories | • |
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| Songs from childhood Are there nursery rhymes or songs from a children's TV show that you loved? | | Holidays Which songs remind you of a favourite holiday? | |
| Song | • | Song | • |
| Memories | • | Memories | |
| • | ••••• | • | ••••• |
| What songs remind you of your hometown? | 9 | TV themes Are there TV shows with theme tunes you'll always remember? | Ŭ, |
| Song | • | Song | • |
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| Important people Think of a person who's important to you. What songs remind you of them? | | Concerts you've been to Which tunes remind you of the best live music event you've attended? | N |
| Song | • | Song | • |
| Memories | | Memories | • |
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Now that you've built your own playlist, why not try asking a friend or family member about songs that are important to them?

Building a soundtrack and discovering the memories associated with each song is a wonderful way to connect with family and friends. Fill in this playlist template for a friend or family member.

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Your 'Memory Bump' (strong Party tunes memories formed aged 10-30) Which songs always get you Can you think of songs that remind dancing and/or singing along? you of your youth? Song Song **Memories** Memories Hobbies. interests and beliefs **Special moments and milestones** Which songs take you back to a Are there pieces of music that make special memory in your life? you think of a group that you belong to? Song Song **Memories Memories** Songs from childhood Holidays Are there nursery rhymes or songs from Which songs remind you of a a children's TV show that you loved? favourite holiday? Song Song Memories **Memories Important places** TV themes What songs remind you of Are there TV shows with theme your hometown? tunes you'll always remember? Sona Sona Memories Memories **Important people** Concerts you've been to Think of a person who's important to Which tunes remind you of the best you. What songs remind you of them? live music event you've attended? Song Song **Memories Memories**

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Try sharing your songs and memories before asking about theirs

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Tips

These are just starting points for conversation · you don't need to answer all of them