

Then and Now: Popular Musicians

Select a pairing of two musicians from the list below. You must choose two that have been paired together (do not mix and match from the two columns). For example: Rockapella and Pentatonix have been paired together. Then, research your two musicians and answer the questions on the following page.

MUSICIAN CHOICES

Rockapella	Pentatonix
Blue Grass Boys	Steep Canyon Rangers
John Denver	Brad Paisley
Barbra Streisand	Idina Menzel
Maria Callas	Renee Fleming
Sherman Brothers	Lin-Manuel Miranda
Frank Sinatra	Michael Bublé
The Chieftains	Dropkick Murphys
The Beach Boys	One Direction
Ella Fitzgerald	Nina Simone
Aretha Franklin	Jennifer Hudson
Michael Jackson	Bruno Mars
Elvis	Justin Timberlake
Tupac	Kendrick Lamar
The Beatles	U2
Queen	Panic! at the Disco
Dolly Parton	Taylor Swift
Madonna	Lady Gaga
Whitney Houston	Beyoncé

NAME: _____ DATE: _____

FACTS ABOUT MUSICIAN A:

Musician(s): _____

Style of Music: _____

Time of Popularity: _____

Reason for Popularity: _____

Something Unusual About Them: _____

Two Famous Songs: _____

FACTS ABOUT MUSICIAN B:

Musician(s): _____

Style of Music: _____

Time of Popularity: _____

Reason for Popularity: _____

Something Unusual About Them: _____

Two Famous Songs: _____

COMPARING AND CONTRASTING MUSICIANS A AND B

Use YouTube or Spotify to listen to several songs by both artists. How is their music similar and different? Consider their musical genre, vocal range, style of singing, lyrics, instruments, target audience, and more.

a. Similarities: _____

b. Differences: _____
