Do they have similar tastes in music?

Most of my classmates like rock. They think that bands like Deep Purple, Queen, Pink Floyd and others made a great breakthrough in the history of rock. But my parents think that this music is aggressive and dangerous. They say that if the music doesn't destroy your mind, it will destroy your ear. I don't think this music is destructive. I guess their albums are great achievements with no bad songs in them. I adore its energy, rhythm and its catchy tunes. Moreover there is much sense in the lyrics. It makes me think hard. Rock music is great.

James Medison

I like classical music. I'd like to know some teens who are interested in classics because this is the MUSIC, the beginning of all. I have got two favorite composers though they are very different. They are Tchaikovsky and Gershwin. I heard Tchaikovsky's piano concert No 1. It's fantastic. The Russians have always put so many feelings into their music. Gershwin is my idol. I'm sorry that few young people know about his works. Glenn Miller and the swing era are built on his music. Though I am not keen on jazz I like Gershwin's music. It's fantastic, it's classic in jazz.

Stephanie Basker





Which of the ideas below are expressed by teens?

Which of them belong to James and to Stephanie?

- 1. Appealing and powerful music is all I want.
- 2. Gershwin's music is special because it's jazz and classics at the same time.
- 3. Led Zeppelin's, Queen's and Jimmie Hendrix's albums are very good with very good songs in them.
- 4.Tchaikovsky and Gershwin are very different classical composers.
- 5. Tchaikovsky's music is so fascinating because there are so many feelings in it.
- 6. The lyrics is very important in the songs.
- 7.There are bands and musicians that have made something new in rock.
- 8. Very few young people know classical composers.
- Key: 1 J, S; 2 S; 3 J; 4 S; 5 S; 6 J; 7 J; 8 S

Which of these reasons could Stephanie and James use to support their ideas?

- 1. His music has great tunes and some catchy melodies.
- 2. I think some young people even create idols of modern musicians.
- 3. He was a very important composer because he created something new.
- 4. He created the most romantic music I've ever heard.



Whose opinion do you share and why?

- 1. I think there is much in what...says. The music of...
- 2. I don't like what...likes because...
- 3. I don't know what to say because...





What can you say in favour or against classical music and rock music?

FOR

- ...pictures....in one's mind
- ...makes one remember...
- ...makes us think of...
- ...appeals to...
- ...inspires...
- ...enriches...
- romantic
- catchy
- sentimental
- amazing
- fascinating
- passionate
- breathtaking
- overwhelming



AGAINST

- ...pictures....in one's mind
- ...makes one remember...
- ...makes us think of...
- ...irritates...
- ...destroys...
- ...puts... to sleep
- ...is difficult to understand
- ı dreadful
- ı annoying
- **boring**
- ı noisy
- ı *aggressive*

	Classics	Rock	
PROS			
CONS			

■ Is classical music for teenagers?



Your home task:

- Write an essay on the topic "Rock and Classics: friends or enemies"
 - 100-150 words.



■ Thank you for your excellent work

