

## Music lyrics and their meanings

In this activity we will look at some of the Beatles' lyrics used in the songs from the show *Beat Bugs*. Children can be placed in groups and have a list of the lyrics. With each song, play the show or the video that accompanies the song (some of these can be found on [Beatbugs.com](http://Beatbugs.com)). See if the children can relate the song lyrics with what is happening in the story. Have them discuss their understanding of the message being delivered from both the music and the show.

Here are a few examples:

### **Season 1 Episode 1 Help/ Lucy in the sky with diamonds**

#### ***Help!***

*Help! I need somebody*

*Help! Not just anybody*

*Help! You know I need someone*

*Help! Help me if you can I'm feeling down*

*And I do appreciate you being 'round*

*Help me get my feet back on the ground*

*Won't you please, please help me*

*My independence seems to vanish in the haze*

#### ***Lucy in the sky with diamonds***

*Follow her down to a bridge by a fountain*

*Where rocking horse people eat marshmallow pies*

*Everyone smiles as you drift past the flowers*

*That grow so incredible high*

*Lucy in the sky with diamonds x3*

*Picture yourself in a boat on a river*

*With tangerine trees and marmalade skies*

*Somebody calls you, you answer quite slowly*

*A girl with kaleidoscope eyes*

*Lucy I the sky with diamonds x3*

*Cellophane flowers of yellow and green*

*Towering over your head*

*Look for the girl with the sun in her eyes*

*And shes gone*

*Newspaper taxis appear on the shore*

*Waiting to take you away*

*Climb in back with your head in the clouds*

*And you're gone*

***Season 1 Episode 6 I've seen a face/ Magical mystery tour***

***I've just seen a face***

*I've just seen a face*

*I can't forget the time or place*

*Where we just met*

*She's just the girl for me*

*And I want the world to see*

*We've met, mmm-mmm-mmm*

*Had it been another day*

*I might have looked the other way*

*And I'd have never been aware*

*But as it I'll dream of her*

*Tonight, di-di-di*

*Falling, yes I'm falling*

*And she keeps calling me back again*

***Magical Mystery tour***

*Roll up, roll up for the mystery tour*

*Roll up, rollup for the mystery tour*

*Roll up (And that's an invitation), roll up for the mystery tour*

*Roll up, (To make a reservation), roll up for the mystery tour*

*The magical mystery tour is waiting to take you away*

*Waiting to take you away*

Some questions to ask:

What is happening in the story?

How do the lyrics relate to the story?

Do the lyrics tell the story themselves?

Do insects sing? If yes, give an example

References:

Beatles lyrics at: AZ Lyrics <https://www.azlyrics.com>

All Beatles song available

<https://beatbugs.com>

Short videos and other media at the official website