

ROCK YOUR ENGLISH!

CHAPTER 6: Answers

POP QUIZ

- 1 Luther Vandross, and R&B stands for 'Rhythm and Blues'
- 2 ABBA is from Sweden, and the name ABBA represents the first names of the 4 members of the band – Agnetha, Benny, Björn and Anni-Frid.
- 3 The Rolling Stones
- 4 Keith Sweat
- 5 His real name is David Jones. He changed his name because he didn't want people to confuse him with Davy Jones, who was a singer in the band the Monkees. He chose 'Bowie' because it is the name of a famous knife, the Bowie knife, made popular by Colonel Jim Bowie.
- 6 Lyle Lovett

EAR CANDY

- 1 'I've been holding out so long' means that you have been waiting for a long time.
- 2 If you are 'haunted' in your sleep, you are having bad dreams or nightmares.
- 3 Central Park is in New York City. It is big and beautiful!
- 4 'Stumbling' means to walk very unsteadily, or to trip while you are walking.

DON'T BELIEVE THE HYPE!

- 1 Right
- 2 Wrong – he has written
- 3 Right
- 4 Wrong – have been saving
- 5 Wrong – has played

Lyrical assignments

- 1 A Dutch translation:
'Ik kan gewoon niet slapen 's nachts
Ooh, je bent vreemdgegaan
Zeg me dat het een leugen is'
- 2 They wrote the song with the end in the Present Perfect Continuous (I've been missing') because it is something that is still going on and not finished. This makes the emotion of the song much stronger, because it is connected to now and continuing. If they said 'I missed you', then it is only looking back on a situation which is finished, and has no connection to now. It means that the 'missing' is finished and now they don't miss that person anymore.



- 3 I think she means that she finally found someone who really understands her and can relate to her and her feelings. It seems like this is the one person that she has been looking for, for a very long time. I am so happy for her!
- 4 'Spending your nights on the town' means that you go out a lot at night to clubs or bars. If you are 'through' with someone, then you don't want to be in a relationship with him or her anymore, and if you are 'through' with something, then you are done with it, or finished with it.
- 5 A Dutch translation:
'En eindelijk lijken mijn eenzame dagen voorbij
Ik heb op je gewacht
Oh, ik heb op je gewacht'
- 6 He used 'I've been looking' and not 'I have looked' here because he is still looking and the action is not finished. If he said 'I have looked' that would not emphasize the action that is still going on at the present moment. The Present Perfect Continuous form adds more to the 'active' feeling of this lyric, and focuses on the situation that is still continuing.
- 7 If you 'speak your mind', then you say what is on your mind. Usually it is another way of saying that someone is being honest or telling the truth.
- 8 It is wrong to say 'I am working all day' at the end of a day because the day is still going on, and you are saying how long you have been working. 'I am working today' is correct, because it is only for now (Present Continuous) and does not talk about how long you have been working. For those types of situations, the Present Perfect Continuous is the best choice.

Fill in the blanks (page 62)

- 1 'Have you been running?'
- 2 'Have you been crying?'
- 3 'Have you been driving long?!'
- 4 '...it has been raining for over an hour.'
- 5 'Have you been watching TV all day?!?'



THE REMIX

- 1 has she been
- 2 have written, have been working
- 3 have you had
- 4 have known
- 5 has not smoked
- 6 has been driving
- 7 have had
- 8 have not eaten
- 9 has been preparing
- 10 has produced, has been working

Fill in the blanks (page 63)

- 1a has been rehearsing
- 1b has done
- 2a has worked
- 2b has been training
- 3a has been looking
- 3b has made
- 4a has driven
- 4b has been looking

