

Lesson Plan

Swift Information

Book: *Taylor Swift*

Series: Biggest Names in Music

Level: Navigator

Objective

To help students use indexes, tables of contents, and other text features to quickly find key information.

Supplies

- Four copies of the *Taylor Swift* book
- Swift Information worksheet (attached)
- Pencils

Before the Activity

Read through the *Taylor Swift* book, or assign it to students to read on their own. Print four copies of the Swift Information worksheet.

Activity

Divide students up into four groups. Give one copy of the Swift Information worksheet to each group. When you say “go,” groups will race to complete the worksheet. Students in each group should search through the book to find the answers to the questions. They can use text features such as the chapter titles, the index, and the table of contents to find the information as swiftly as possible. Students should write the answer to the question and the page where they found it.

Evaluation

As soon as a group has all the answers, students should raise their hands. You’ll come over and use the attached answer key to check their answers. The first group to complete the worksheet correctly wins.

Standards

This lesson may be used to address the Common Core State Standards’ reading standards for informational texts, grade 4 (RI 4.1).

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Write the answer to each question and the page you found it on.

1. What award was Taylor Swift honored with at the American Music Awards in 2019?

2. Where did Taylor Swift grow up?

3. How many AMAs does Taylor Swift have?

4. What song won Best Female Video at the MTV Video Music Awards in 2009?

5. Where did Scott Borchetta hear Taylor perform for the first time?

6. How old was Taylor Swift when her first album came out?

7. What album went platinum four times?

8. When was Taylor Swift born?

9. When did Taylor's family move to Tennessee?

10. What record did Taylor Swift set at the 2010 Grammys?

Swift Information **ANSWER KEY**

Write the answer to each question and the page you found it on.

1. What award was Taylor Swift honored with at the American Music Awards in 2019?

Artist of the Decade (page 5)

2. Where did Taylor Swift grow up?

Reading, Pennsylvania (page 9)

3. How many AMAs does Taylor Swift have?

She has 29 (page 7).

4. What song won Best Female Video at the MTV Video Music Awards in 2009?

“You Belong with Me” (page 16)

5. Where did Scott Borchetta hear Taylor perform for the first time?

The Bluebird Cafe (page 10)

6. How old was Taylor Swift when her first album came out?

She was 16 (page 12).

7. What album went platinum four times?

1989 (page 21)

8. When was Taylor Swift born?

December 13, 1989 (page 9)

9. When did Taylor’s family move to Tennessee?

When she was 13 (page 10)

10. What record did Taylor Swift set at the 2010 Grammys?

She became the youngest person to win Album of the Year (page 18).
