I Will Survive – Notes

- **Activity type**: gap fill, rhyming words.
- **Grammar**: Past Simple, should have, imperatives, used to, mixed conditional.
- **Time**: 20 mins (Note that there are three worksheets here, the third is a combination of the first two, and will take 30 mins to complete).

**Past Simple:**
1. Write the following verbs on the board:
   - to be - can - to change (Past Participle, same as Past Simple) - to do - to feel – to grow – to have - to keep - to know (Past Participle, different to Past Simple) – to learn - to make (Past Participle, same as Past Simple) – to spend - to take – to try - to walk

2. Students write the past tense of these verbs.
   
   Key: was/were - could – changed – did – felt – grew – had - kept – known – learned – made – spent - took – tried – walked

3. As below.

**Rhyming Words:**
1) Write the following words on the board:

2) Students match the rhyming pairs.

3) Play the song. Students listen and tick the words they hear, correcting if necessary.

4) Give each student a copy of the worksheet. Before playing the song again ask them to try to insert the missing words, as listed above, in the correct gaps, based on context and the rhymes.

5) Play the song. Students complete the text.

6) Allow them to check their answers with other students, and then play the song again.

7) Correct, and sing together.

**Follow up**: Six months later the singer meets her ex-boyfriend at a party. Imagine their conversation.
I Will Survive—Gloria Gaynor (Past Simple)

First I _ _ _ _ _ afraid, I _ _ _ _ _ petrified
_ _ _ _ _ thinking I _ _ _ _ _ never live without you by my side
But I _ _ _ _ _ so many nights thinking how you _ _ _ _ _ me wrong
And I _ _ _ _ _ strong, I _ _ _ _ _ how to carry on
And so you're back from outer space
I just _ _ _ _ _ in to find you here with that sad look upon your face
I should have _ _ _ _ _ my stupid lock
I should have _ _ _ _ _ you leave your key
If I had _ _ _ _ _ for just one second you'd be back to bother me

Chorus:
Go on now go walk out the door
just turn around now
'cause you're not welcome anymore
_ _ _ _ _ n't you the one who _ _ _ _ _ to hurt me with goodbye
you think I'd crumble
you think I'd lay down and die
Oh no, not I
I will survive
as long as I know how to love
I know I'll stay alive
I've got all my life to live
I've got all my love to give
and I'll survive
I will survive
Hey hey

It _ _ _ _ _ all the strength I _ _ _ _ _ not to fall apart
_ _ _ _ _ trying hard to mend the pieces of my broken heart
and I _ _ _ _ _ oh so many nights just feeling sorry for myself
I used to cry
But now I hold my head up high
and you see me somebody new
I'm not that chained up little person still in love with you
and so you _ _ _ _ _ like dropping in
and just expect me to be free
now I'm saving all my loving
for someone who's loving me

Repeat chorus twice

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Kept thinking I could never live without you by my ________
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goodbye - heart - high - I - key - live - love – me – new – side – space -
strong – survive - wrong - you
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