



Summer Nights - Grease - Notes



- **Activity type:** gap fill, rhyming words.
- **Grammar:** Past Simple, Question forms.
- **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).
- **Note:** From the musical *Grease*, the best known version of this song was performed by John Travolta and Olivia Newton John, who played Danny Zuko and Sandy Olsson in the 1978 movie.

Past Simple:

1. Play the song, ask students to list all of the verbs they hear in the Past Simple. Feedback.
2. Give each student a copy of the Past Simple worksheet, and ask them to write the Past Simple form of each of the verbs.

Key: was/were – did – drank – drowned – got – went – happened – had – made – met – saved – showed – stayed – swam – took – told – turned

3. As below.

Rhyming Words:

1. Elicit a possible rhyme for the word *fast*.
Play the song, ask students to identify the rhyme used (*blast*), then list all the rhyming words they hear in the song. Feedback.
2. Give each student a copy of the Rhyming Words worksheet, and ask them to match the rhyming words.

Key: Arcade – lemonade; blast – fast; bowlin' – strollin'; brag – drag; cramp – damp; day(s) – away; dock – clock; dreams – seams; drowned – around; eighteen – mean; ends – friends; far – car; fling – thing; hand – sand; heat – meet; me – be; sight – fight; spend – friend; sun – begun; vow – now

3. Ask students to complete the lyrics based on their previous listening, their answers to the previous activities, and context.
4. Play the song. Students complete the text.
5. Correct, and sing together. Note that the male voice is in normal type, female in *italics*, and together **bold**.
6. Explain any difficult vocabulary.
Note: to have a blast – to have a good time
you don't gotta brag – slang for you mustn't boast
to make out – to kiss
dough – slang for money
7. **Further Past Simple analysis:** Revise the Question Form in the Past Simple. Ask students to underline all the questions in the Past Simple in the song. Can they also find the only question in the Present Simple?
8. **Follow up:** Put the students in pairs (one boy and one girl) and ask them to retell the story of Danny and Sandy using the verbs in the simple past. Ask the girls in the class to tell the story from Sandy's point of view and the boys to tell it from Danny's point of view. You can also show the sequence where the song is performed in Grease. This video is on www.tuneintoenglish.com.

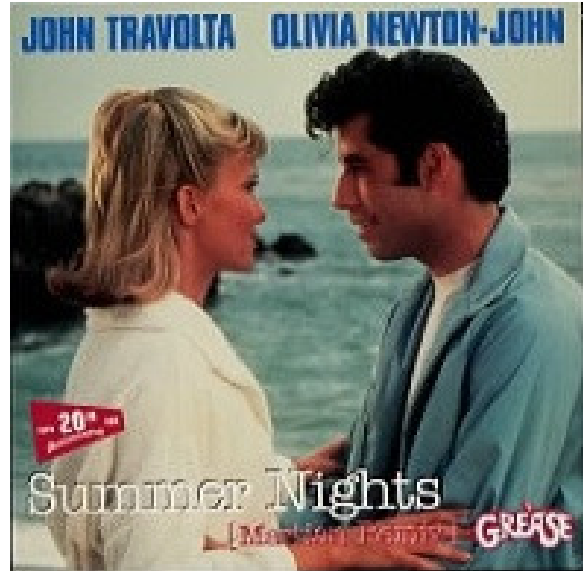


Summer Nights – Grease (Past Simple)



1. Write the Past Simple form of each of these verbs.

- to be _____
- to do _____
- to drink _____
- to drown _____
- to get _____
- to go _____
- to happen _____
- to have _____
- to make _____
- to meet _____
- to save _____
- to show _____
- to stay _____
- to swim _____
- to take _____
- to tell _____
- to turn _____



2. Use the Past Simple forms to complete the lyrics.

Summer lovin' _____ me a blast
Summer lovin', _____ so fast
 I _____ a girl crazy for me
I _____ a boy, cute as can be
**Summer days driftin' away, to
 uh-oh those summer nights**

Tell me more, tell me more, _____ you get very far?
Tell me more, tell me more, like, does he have a car?

She _____ by me, she _____ a cramp
he _____ by me, _____ my suit damp
 I _____ her life, she nearly _____
he _____ off, splashing around
**Summer sun, something's begun,
 but uh-oh those summer nights**

Tell me more, tell me more, _____ it love at first sight?
 Tell me more, tell me more, _____ she put up a fight?

_____ her bowlin' in the Arcade
we _____ strollin', _____ lemonade
 We _____ out under the dock
we _____ up till ten o'clock
**Summer fling don't mean a thing,
 but uh-oh those summer nights**

Tell me more, tell me more, but you don't gotta brag
Tell me more, tell me more, 'cause he sounds like a drag

He _____ friendly, holdin' my hand
 well she _____ friendly, down in the sand
He _____ sweet, just _____ eighteen
 well she _____ good, you know what I mean
**Summer heat, boy and girl meet,
 but uh-oh those summer nights**

Tell me more, tell me more, how much dough _____ he spend?
 Tell me more, tell me more, could she get me a friend?

It _____ colder, that's where it ends
 so I _____ her we'd still be friends
Then we _____ our true love vow
 wonder what she's doin' now
**Summer dreams ripped at the seams,
 but oh, those summer nights!**

Tell me more, tell me more!



Summer Nights – Grease (Rhymes)



1. Match the words in the first column with their rhymes in the second.

Arcade	around
blast	away
bowlin'	be
brag	begun
cramp	car
day(s)	clock
dock	damp
dreams	drag
drowned	fast
eighteen	fight
ends	friend
far	friends
fling	lemonade
hand	mean
heat	meet
me	now
sight	sand
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sun	strollin'
vow	thing



2. Use the rhyming words to complete the lyrics.

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Summer lovin', happened so _____
 I met a girl crazy for _____
I met a boy, cute as can _____
Summer _____ driftin' _____,
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 Tell me more, tell me more, like, does he have a _____?

She swam by me, she got a _____
he went by me, got my suit _____
 I saved her life, she nearly _____
he showed off, splashing _____
Summer _____, something's _____,
but uh-oh those summer nights

Tell me more, tell me more, was it love at first _____?
 Tell me more, tell me more, did she put up a _____?

Took her _____ in the _____
we went _____, drank _____
 We made out under the _____
we stayed up till ten o' _____
Summer _____ don't mean a _____,
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Tell me more, tell me more, but you don't gotta _____
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He got friendly, holdin' my _____
 well she got friendly, down in the _____
He was sweet, just turned _____
 well she was good, you know what I _____
Summer _____, boy and girl _____,
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Tell me more, tell me more, how much dough did he _____?
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It turned colder, that's where it _____
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3. Complete the lyrics with the rhyming words (____) and the Past Simple forms (____).

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