You’re Beautiful – James Blunt – Notes

- **Activity type**: gap fill, rhyming words, comprehension.
- **Grammar**: Present simple, past simple and continuous, future ‘will’, must, should.
- **Time**: 15 mins.

1) Write the following words on the board:

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<th>pure</th>
<th>eye</th>
<th>by</th>
<th>you</th>
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<td>man</td>
<td>place</td>
<td>plan</td>
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<td>do</td>
<td>face</td>
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2) Students match the rhyming pairs.
   Key: pure – sure / man – plan / do – you / eye – by / place – face

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

4) Play the song. Students check their predictions in 3).

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

6) Correct, and sing together.

**Further Comprehension Practice:**

(The following exercises may be done as homework, if there isn’t enough time in class.)

1) **Answer the questions**:
   1-Where is the song set?
   2-Why does he say he’ll never be with her?
   3-What happened between them?

   **Key**: 1-In the subway (English: underground); 2-Because he knows she has a boyfriend and that they haven’t actually met; 3- She smiled at him.

2) **Multiple choice: Choose the correct answer.**

   1-The singer’s love is for
      A an angel
      B a smiling face on a poster
      C a woman with a man

   2-He realises that
      A she has a boyfriend
      B she’s an angel
      C she’s a ghost

   3-They meet
      A in a crowded street
      B in their dreams
      C in a busy underground train

   4-They share
      A a dream
      B a journey
      C a short glance

   5-He’s aware
      A his love is impossible
      B she’ll be his wife someday
      C they’ll meet soon.

   **Key**: 1-C, 2-A, 3-C, 4-C, 5-A.

**The following grammar exercise may also be suggested as a follow up activity.**

Find all the verbs in this song. Put them in the base forms and write which tenses they occur in.

(e.g. Be  present simple : You’re, is, I’m, it’s; past: she was, I was; future: I’ll be)

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You’re Beautiful – James Blunt

My life is brilliant.

My life is brilliant.
My love is _________
I saw an angel.
Of that I’m _________
She smiled on the subway.
She was with another _________.
But I won't lose no sleep on that,
’Cause I’ve got a _________

You're beautiful. You're beautiful.
You're beautiful, it's true.
I saw your _________
in a crowded _________,
And I don't know what to _________,
’Cause I'll never be with _________.

Yeah, she caught my _________,
As I walked on _________.
She could see from my face that I was
Flying high,
And I don't think that I'll see her again,
But we shared a moment that will last till the end.

You're beautiful. You're beautiful.
You're beautiful, it's true.
I saw your _________
in a crowded _________
And I don't know what to _________,
’Cause I'll never be with _________.

You're beautiful. You're beautiful.
You're beautiful, it's true.
There must be an angel with a smile on her face,
When she thought up that I should be with you.
But it's time to face the truth,
I will never be with you.
You're Beautiful – James Blunt – Complete

My life is brilliant.
My life is brilliant.
My love is pure.
I saw an angel.
Of that I'm sure.
She smiled on the subway.
She was with another man.
But I won't lose no sleep on that,
'Cause I've got a plan.

You're beautiful. You're beautiful.
You're beautiful, it's true.
I saw your face
in a crowded place,
And I don't know what to do,
'Cause I'll never be with you.

Yeah, she caught my eye,
As I walked on by.
She could see from my face that I was,
Flying high, [ - video/radio edited version]
Fucking high, [ - CD version]
And I don't think that I'll see her again,
But we shared a moment that will last till the end.

You're beautiful. You're beautiful.
You're beautiful, it's true.
I saw your face
in a crowded place,
And I don't know what to do,
'Cause I'll never be with you.

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