



# Student File

**Reading  
Writing  
Language Organiser**

**Boy Wonder**  pages 3-5

**Pre-reading  
Assignment 2**

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Discuss the following questions with a classmate before reading the article.

- Which celebrity would you like to meet, or to see in person?
- What would you ask him/her, or what would you say to him/her?
- What would you do to meet him? Would you:
  - travel far to meet him?
  - save money (or take a job) to buy a ticket for a show or a match?
  - wait (for hours) outside a studio, stadium, or building – rain or shine – for an autograph or a high five?
- Are you a member of a fan club, or do you visit fan sites? Why?

**Reading  
Assignment 3**

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Read the article and answer the following questions (in English).

- Why were the girls at QVC headquarters?
- Why was Justin Bieber there?
- What was the weather like?
- Why did the police shut down the event on Long Island?
- Why did people think Bieber had died in December 2009?
- What do Justin Bieber and Stevie Wonder have in common?
- Which musical instruments does Justin Bieber play?
- What was the video Bieber's mum posted on YouTube?
- Is Justin Bieber always happy about being a celeb? Explain.
- Bieber likes performing. What two things does he like doing, apart from singing?
- Name four celebs mentioned in the article Justin Bieber has met so far.
- Why doesn't he date?
- What is said about his mum's attitude towards Justin?

**Reading  
Assignment 4**

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What do these words and sayings mean?

- What is meant by *(From) rags to riches* (l. 51)?
- What do you think are *Biebettes* (l. 62)?
- What are *half siblings* (l. 84)?
- What does it mean, the *bidding war* between Usher and Justin Timberlake (ll. 122-123)?
- What is a *debut single* (l. 132)?
- What are *pranks* (*He likes to do pranks*, l. 159)?
- What is *freestyle rap* (l. 217)?

**Reading  
Assignment 5**

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Who are these people, or what are they to Justin Bieber?

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|-------------------|------------------|
| 1 Biebs           | 7 Ryan           |
| 2 Chaz            | 8 Ryan Good      |
| 3 Chuck Norris    | 9 Scooter Braun  |
| 4 Jeremy          | 10 Sean Kingston |
| 5 Madison Rivers  | 11 Usher         |
| 6 Pattie Mallette |                  |

**Language Organiser  
Assignment 6**

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**A**

Fill in the correct preposition (*voorzetsel*). Choose from:  
*about – down – down – for – from – in – into – off – out – over – to – up – up – up*

There are two too many!

All the phrasal verbs (*verb + preposition*) can be found in the article.

- The supporters weren't scared ... by the bad weather.
- The fans were prevented ... climbing onto the stage.
- After another fight, the police shut ... the festival.
- He just popped ... from behind a tree.
- His film on YouTube eventually led ... a contract with a record label.
- He was a good singer, and he picked ... dancing pretty soon as well.
- Millions of people tuned ... to watch the finale of *Pop Idol*.

- 8 She traded all her Take That CDs ... a concert ticket.
- 9 From a normal school kid he turned ... a famous pop star.
- 10 You can't have fun with her anymore; she thinks ... Justin all the time.
- 11 Thousands of hysterical fans were waiting, but he didn't show ...
- 12 I didn't know the guy in the film on YouTube, but finally I managed to track him ...

**B**

Translate the combinations you found in A into Dutch.

- 1 to scare ...
- 2 to prevent ...
- 3 to shut ...
- 4 to pop ...
- 5 to lead ...
- 6 to pick ...
- 7 to tune ...
- 8 to trade ...
- 9 to turn ...
- 10 to think ...
- 11 to show ...
- 12 to track ...

**Language Organiser**  
**Assignment 7**

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**To give**

At first, Justin's mum didn't want Scooter to work with her son, but eventually she *gave in*.

Combinations with give:

give	away	give	out
	back		to
	for		up
	in		up on
	off		up to

Fill in the correct preposition.

- 1 Do you ever give money ... charity?
- 2 How much did you give ... that car?
- 3 Burning incense gives ... a pleasant smell.
- 4 I have given ... all hope of passing my exam.
- 5 Well, your teachers haven't given ... you.
- 6 We have 100 tickets to give ... free to our listeners.
- 7 After a week on the run he gave himself ... the police.
- 8 Eventually I gave ... to temptation, and bought the shirt.
- 9 You haven't given me ... the money I lent you.
- 10 We were fine until the batteries in the torch gave ...

**Writing**  
**Assignment 8**

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**Headlines**

Headlines try to catch the reader's eye by using as few words as possible. They try to make you curious, to make you want to read the article.

- E.g. Bieber Meets with President
- Teen Star Kissed by Rihanna
- Pop Star's Car Dented by Frenzied Fans

**A**

Here are some newspaper cuttings. Work in pairs.

Write a headline for each one of the news flashes. Try to catch the message, and do that in as few words as possible.

The news in the first cutting, for example, is not that Justin Bieber is very famous, but the connection between Usher and Bieber.

1

Usher has chosen his first artist for his Island/Def Jam label: 15-year-old Justin Bieber. The wonder kid has virtually taken over YouTube, with his cover of Justin Timberlake's 'Cry Me a River' receiving almost four million hits. In fact, Bieber's total hit count on YouTube exceeds 38 million.

Bieber's album, *My World*, will be released later this year. Usher was 15 himself when the label signed him.

2

Bieber Fever is everywhere – and it's not just tween girls who are susceptible to it. No, even their male counterparts love Justin Bieber ... or his hair, at least. Six out of every 10 boys want 'the Bieber' when they come into her salon, one stylist tells our reporter, though they're too embarrassed to ask for it by name. 'Don't tell my mom,' one said after showing her a picture of the heartthrob.

3

Justin Bieber is probably the hottest star of the moment. To celebrate Justin's worldwide success, the very first Bieber flash mob happened in Gothenburg, Sweden last month.

The fans who planned this event want Justin to visit Sweden. After this great effort, Justin should consider the possibility of offering his Swedish fans something special. What about a concert in Sweden soon!?!

4

Teen singer Justin Bieber has revealed his female celebrity crush – fellow musician Beyonce.

But while the 16-year-old admires the star, he also admits that she makes him really nervous.

Bieber, who is on the front cover of the latest issue of *Seventeen*, tells the magazine, 'I did get nervous when I met Beyonce. I was shaking. I was afraid I'd say something stupid. But she calmed me down. She's awesome.'

5

Teen singing sensation Justin Bieber has revealed that he didn't go to the recent BET (Black Entertainment TV) Awards because he didn't want to let his fans down by cancelling his tour shows.

Bieber, 16, was nominated for the Best New Artist prize, but was unable to attend the event as he had already committed to dates on his My World tour.

'Just wanted to say I would have been at the awards, but this show was booked before the nominees came out, and I don't cancel shows,' Bieber twittered.

He added, 'I would never cancel a show and let down the fans, unless I had to . . . but I do wish I was there too, because I am honoured to just be nominated.'

6

A photo has emerged of Justin Bieber with his shirt pulled up, allegedly getting a tattoo.

The Baby singer was snapped last month on a beach in Australia with what appeared to be a small tattoo of a bird on his torso. It is now being reported that Bieber got inked at a tattoo parlour in Toronto.

The young Canadian was reportedly accompanied by his father, Jeremy Bieber, who 'showed his approval by giving a thumbs-up when they posed for a photo,' MTV reports.

## B

Work on your own. Distribute the headlines below among the class, so that each headline will be used only once or twice. Think up a story that fits the headline. Use your imagination; it doesn't have to be true. Write your story, using 100-130 words.

- 1 Three-Year-Old Girl Cries over Bieber on YouTube
- 2 Arrest Threat for Too Many Fans Showing Up
- 3 Justin Bieber to Make Movie Debut
- 4 'Usher Bought Me a Car for My Birthday'
- 5 Justin Bieber Struggling to Hit the High Notes as Voice Breaks
- 6 Justin Bieber Plays Free Concert to Help Raise Money for Charity
- 7 Act like a Diva: School Kids Wait for over an Hour
- 8 I Still Get Grounded, Justin Bieber Admits to Oprah
- 9 Justin Bieber: I'd Probably Work at McDonald's
- 10 Justin Bieber Dumped Girl by Phone
- 11 Court Papers Reveal Custody Battle over Justin Bieber when He Was a Baby
- 12 Justin Bieber Loves to Google Himself
- 13 'Underage Drinker' Mistaken for Justin Bieber
- 14 Justin Bieber Surprised by Paparazzo
- 15 Bieber's Manager Arrested