



## **Favourite Song: Improving your IELTS response**

## Read the example and think about how to improve it.

There are some my favorite English songs. One of these songs is "A Million Dreams". This song is an inserted song of the movie called "The Greatest Showman". And this song is sung by the movie's casts. This movie is one of my favorite movies. This song means no matter what others say, you can make your dream come true, I think. My best part is "Cause every night I lie in bed. The brightest colors fill my head. A million dreams are keeping me awake. This song makes me cheer up. I often listen to this song when I was junior high.

"Supermarket Flowers" is my favorite English song too. This song is sung by Ed Sheeran. And this lyric is written for his grandmother who already passed away. This song often sings "Hallelujah". It is a prayer to the Christian God. I felt his love for his grandmother. And this expression is very beautiful, I think.

By the way, one of my favorite singers is Bruno Mars. That's because when I was junior high, my best friend danced to use his song called "Runaway Baby". She is a great dancer and have participate in a world competition. Then, she looks so cool. And this song became my favorite song. After that I always listened to his songs. So, I want to listen to his songs at on live performance.

I like listen to music very much not only Japanese songs. So, these songs and singers always make me happy. I will enjoy English songs forever.

## How can you improve the writing?

The introduction and concluding sentence have been put together for better organization Further details why this person likes these songs adds interest to the explanation

**noun** further explanation Adjective Clause

Comes to mind one of my ideas that I can think of now

Generally, I like listening to music very much and not only Japanese songs. I cannot decide what my favourite song is as there are a few I like. The first one that comes to mind is "A Million Dreams" which is one of the hits in the movie "The Greatest Showman". In actual fact, this movie is one of my favorites as well. The song, "A Million Dreams", is used throughout the movie and is sung by different members of the cast. I think the main idea behind the lyrics is that no matter what others say, you can make your dream come true. The best part of this song is when they sing: "'Cause every night I lie in bed, the brightest colors fill my head, a million dreams are keeping me awake". When I hear this part, it cheers me up as I feel that anything is possible. I often listened to this song when I was at junior high but I still listen to it from time to time.

Another song I like is "Supermarket Flowers" by Ed Sheeran. It is a slow song and easy to follow as Ed Sheeran is able to sing the words clearly. The lyrics were written for his grandmother who had recently passed away. This song often sings "Hallelujah" to express his rejoice to God and being thankful. When listening to this song, I feel his love for his grandmother, especially with the lyrics: "You were an angel in the shape of my mum". I think Ed Sheeran is brilliant at expressing his love for his mum's mum so beautifully. It is very touching.

Another <u>song I like</u> that comes to mind is "Runaway Baby" by Bruno Mars. There are a lot of <u>songs I like</u> by the artist but I like this song in particular because when I was junior high, my best friend danced to this song in competition. She was a great dancer and in fact participated in a world competition. She looked so cool and from watching her, this song became one of my favorite songs. After watching her, I often listened to this and other songs by the same artist. I would love to see him perform live in concert.





## From the above work, try to chunk the speech

Find the pause – Chunking short / longer // CAPITALISE the stressed (important) word

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