**Course Title: Pillars of Pop Music**

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**Classroom:**

**Level Target:** Intermediate

**Course description and objectives**

These days everyone is listening to K-Pop because it is catchy, exciting, and visually stimulating. However, what influenced the pop music you know and love? In this class we will look back into the history of pop music in the last 70 years to find out who are the ‘Pillar of Pop Music’?! We will look at when the commercial music started, and where the important elements of modern pop music came from. To do this we will discuss our ideas of pop music, listen to famous songs, watch amazing performances, and experience music in a fun and interactive way. Have an open-mind and be prepared to experience music through English. Let’s rock!

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| **Dates** | **Class Work**  |
| DAY 1 | The Beatles and Commercialism |
| DAY 2 | Punk and Protest |
| DAY 3 | Disco, Rhythm, and Style |
| DAY 4 | Popstars and MTV |
| DAY 5 | Heavy Metal and Censorship |
| DAY 6 | Starting a K-Pop Band 1 |
| DAY 7 | Starting a K-Pop Band 2 |
| DAY 8 | Poster Presentation |