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Introduction

The Big Music Quiz is a next generation game show, hosted by Darren McMullen.

Eight celebrities from all walks of life face off in individual and team-based challenges in a race to show off their knowledge of popular music from all eras and genres.

The challenges come thick and fast in six fast moving rounds, while a live audience brings the noise in this non-stop music extravaganza.

The Big Music Quiz is brilliant play-along fun for the whole family, giving viewers popular tunes they already know and love - in ways they've never imagined.

No matter how old you are, which artists you love, what lyrics you relate to or what melodies you've hummed, The Big Music Quiz has something for you!

The Big Music Quiz is produced by Endemol Shine Australia for Channel Seven.



Rounds

ROUND 1: THE WARM UP

Here we determine the Team Captains and their teams. Playing as individuals, our eight guest panelists listen to a series of well-known songs. After each track, they must write down the name of the artist on their tablet. Panelists have 20 seconds to write down their answer with a “cheat sheet” popping up at the 15 second mark to help. At the end of the round, the two panelists with the highest scores become Team Captains and then choose their teams in a schoolyard pick.

ROUND 2: UNLIKELY COVERS

Teams have 30 seconds to identify the original artist of cover songs performed by live guests, ranging from a sitar player to an 11-year-old guitar prodigy, plus crazy internet wannabees and even some of our panelists. The first team to identify the original artist buzzes in (the buzzer is inactive for the first seven seconds of each song).

ROUND 3: HEADPHONE HEROES

How you think you sound when singing with headphones on and how you really sound is often two different things. We put this to the test with the cutest kids on television, some grown-ups who have no singing inhibitions and also in the studio with some of our guest panelists. Teams have 30 seconds to buzz in when they can identify the original artist (the buzzer is inactive for the first seven seconds of each song).

ROUND 4: PERSONAL PLAYLIST

Teams must guess the name of the artists in a themed segment which takes musical inspiration from one, or some, of our panelists. The game is played as a team, however all of the panelists can score points for their team if they get the correct answer. Panelists will have access to a cheat sheet for the last five seconds of each track.

ROUND 5: TWISTED TUNES

In the final team round, a panelist from each team goes head-to-head to identify the original artist. However to make things more difficult, the songs have been twisted... sped up, slowed down, even reversed! The first panelist to buzz in with the correct answer scores the points. The game is played four times so each panelist gets a turn. At the end of this round, the team with the highest score moves into the Final Round while the losing team head off to learn a dance routine to a popular song.

ROUND 6: THE FINAL

The winning team now play as individuals in rapid fire, themed music rounds to determine The Big Music Quiz champion. Each player has 60 seconds to guess as many of the original artists as possible in themes ranging from The 80s, Rock Riffs and Australian Songbook to Pop Princesses, Power Ballads and Sexy Songs. The panelist with the highest score is crowned Champion for the night. Our losing team closes the show with their dance routine.

Celebrity Guests



Alec Snow
Dave Gleeson
Ella Hooper
Emily Taheny
Giaan Rooney
Kris Smith
Lawrence Mooney
Melanie Vallejo

Unlikely Covers guest: The Madin brothers on their musical "Umbrella Bikes"



Andrew O'Keefe
Claire Hooper
Em Rusciano
Jimmy Rees
Joel Creasey
Kate Ceberano
Lucy Durack
Steve Hooker

Unlikely Covers guest: Electrifying harmonica player Justin Brady



Ada Nicodemou
Adam Garcia
Bindi Irwin
Brendan Jones
Erin Holland
Jai Waetford
Rebel Wilson
Sam Mac

Unlikely Covers guest: 11yo guitar prodigy Jeremy Yong



Anthony Albanese
Ella Hooper
Jackie O
James Tobin
Libby Trickett
Matthew Mitcham
Rachael Beck
Toby Truslove

Unlikely Covers guest: New Orleans-style brass band Horns of Leroy

Celebrity Guests

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Clare Bowditch
Cyrus Villanueva
Georgie Parker
Joel Creasey
Miranda Tapsell
Rebel Wilson
Tom Williams
Tommy Little

Unlikely Covers guest: Sitar player David Balaban



Christie Whelan Browne
Em Rusciano
Isabella Giovinazzo
Jeff Green
Lawrence Mooney
Manu Feidel
Matt Parkinson
Michala Banas

Unlikely Covers guest: Theremin player Miles Brown



Dami Im
Denise Scott
Didier Cohen
Emily Taheny
Kylie Gillies
Larry Emdur
Matt Cooper
Tim Ross

Unlikely Covers guest: A Capella band Drums of War



Cal Wilson
Denise Scott
Dylan Lewis
Jude Bolton
Lehmo
Lucy Durack
Melanie Vallejo
Russell Morris

Unlikely Covers guest: Gypsy sextet The Woohoo Revue

Host - Darren McMullen

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Darren grew up in Scotland before emigrating to Australia when he was 12. His career in television started at MTV Australia, where he both hosted and acted in shows that he helped create. Darren's first foray into primetime network television came in 2010 as the host of Seven's irreverent game show MINUTE TO WIN IT - a show that would later catapult his career into the UK where he was asked to host the local version for ITV.

He has since hosted BBC One Saturday night series The Magicians, NBC's reality dating show Love in the Wild and The Voice and The Voice Kids for Channel Nine. In 2014, he joined the cast of Nine's drama House Husbands and filmed Darren McMullen's Outsiders for National Geographic in which he spent time with some of the world's wildest subcultures.

THE BIG MUSIC QUIZ drew Darren back to Australia - and to a new network - for its fun, fresh take on the variety format, something he feels was missing from the Australian television landscape.

"It's been a while since we had this genre of show on Australian television. It really is a lot of fun and I think that will translate to the living room. The entire family can play along at home trying to beat each other or our celebrities and have a big laugh while they're at it. Maybe the loser does the dishes?!"

And Darren's tip for home viewers on how to be successful at the game?

"You need to be good with names. I find I know all the song titles but the names of the artists can be quite tricky. You'll

kick yourself a lot when you find out the answers because it seems so obvious. But even if you're as hopeless as me, you'll still enjoy watching your favourite celebs sweating under the pressure. Things can get quite competitive when you have all those big egos battling against each other. It's hilarious."

Darren currently lives in Los Angeles and music is a big part of his life.

"To me it's a mood shaper. If I'm feeling a little bit flat, I'll chuck on some James Brown to pick me up; if I need a cry 'Nothing Compares 2 U' by Sinead O'Connor; if I'm feeling a little melancholic, Coldplay will sort me out; for a sing-along it's Disney all the way. Music is such an incredibly powerful tool. I think if I ever got to do this life over, I'd want to be a musician."



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PREFERRED BIG MUSIC QUIZ CATEGORY?

"Absolutely, positively Movies! I'm a total movie fanatic and always scored one hundred per cent on those rounds. Sadly I also seemed to be quite good at Boy Bands... I need to get out more."

ALL TIME KILLER KARAOKE TRACK?

"I have two actually - 'Don't Let The Sun Go Down On Me', the Elton John and George Michael version and 'I Can Show You The World' from Aladdin. You gotta have a great Jasmine though cause I'm terrible."

CONCERT BUCKET LIST?

"I was a huge Queen fan growing up. Their Greatest Hits was the first tape I ever bought when I was seven. I never got to see them live though because tragically Freddie died a few years later. Who knows, with all this hologram technology these days perhaps I'll get that chance."

PLAYLIST ESSENTIALS FOR A ROAD TRIP?

"I created a bunch on my RDIO profile - 'Hip Hop You Don't Stop' (old school hip hop), 'Rock Out With Your Frock Out' (classic rock from 80s and 90s) and 'Get To Funk' (best funk tunes ever written). That's enough to make any road trip fly by."

SONG THAT GIVES YOU GOOSEBUMPS?

"Baz Luhrmann's 'Everybody's Free (To Wear Sunscreen)'. It reminds me of my youth. A beautiful song with fantastic advice for all."

MUSIC VIDEO YOU WISH YOU'D BEEN A PART OF?

"Michael Jackson's 'Thriller'. Probably the most iconic music video of all time and looks like it was a hell of a lot of fun to film."



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