



Sing for Hull

With the Albemarle Broadband



Week 13 – Wonder Listening Activities

Wonder was released in 2012 by British DJ, record producer, songwriter and musician **Shahid Khan**, a.k.a. *Naughty Boy*, featuring vocals by *Emeli Sandé*. It was written by both Shahid and Emeli, alongside Hugo Chegwin and Harry Craze. Listen to *Wonder* and answer these questions:

1. What genre do you think the song belongs to?
2. The line '*We are full of wonder*' keeps repeating throughout the song. What do you think this means?
3. Read the lyrics of the song. What do you think the message of the song is?
4. This song has been created by the DJ *Naughty Boy* using audio software. Can you hear the electronic elements in the song?
5. On Day 5, the Albemarle Broadband version of this song is released. Listen to this and compare it with the original. What makes it different to the original?
6. Can you think of another *Sing for Hull* song that was also a dance track? Can you spot any similarities between that song and *Wonder*?
7. Can you identify the structure of the **original** song using the terms: Intro, Verse, Chorus, Bridge and Outro?
8. Listen to the last line of the Bridge. What does *Emeli Sandé* do to the melody to change it and add some variety? Listen to the rest of the song after the bridge. Can you hear other parts where she changes the melody line?
9. Do you like the song *Wonder*? Why?

Wonder – Did you know?

Naughty Boy (Shahid Khan) is famous for his collaborations with other artists. A **collaboration** is when two separate artists come together to create a record. This is very common between DJs and singers. In *Wonder*, *Naughty Boy* collaborated with *Emeli Sandé*, who co-wrote the song and provided the vocals. Other artists he has worked with have included *Gabrielle*, *Sam Smith*, *Wiley* and *Ed Sheeran*. He also co-writes songs for other artists to record and co-wrote *Emeli Sandé's* songs *Clown* and *Daddy*.