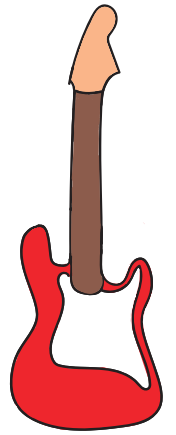


Radio On!



Music has such an important role in our lives today. Modern day music has a grasp on teenagers all over the world. But what about music that came out fifty years ago. Is it still as good as it used to be? Is it worth the revisit to be listened to again? Here are some of our favorite songs through the decades that everyone should listen to.

'70s

recommended by Anna Olson

"Roadrunner" by The Modern Lovers, 1976

Pop in your earbuds, close your eyes, crank this song, and you will be magically whisked away to Massachusetts, garage band style.

The song, which has long-been proposed to be named the state's official rock song (it hasn't passed the legislature yet), the punk undertones, but also delivers happy vibes and makes you long to be cruising through the Northeast—or anywhere—as the lyrics say, "with the radio on."

But one note of caution when listening to this song: You may blow out your speakers because you will want to turn the volume all the way up.

"I'm in love with Massachusetts, I'm in love with the radio on."

'90s

recommended by Chloe Amonson

"The First Taste" by Fiona Apple, 1996

Beautiful vocals tied with a soft piano playing in the back introduce you into this song, soon followed by some electric instrumentals that gives the song a more exciting feel as well as sets a faster pace.

Featured on Fiona Apple's debut album, "Tidals," The First Taste gives you a wonderful intro for Fiona Apple, her voice dreamy and joyful which just makes you feel as upbeat as the song.

*"I lie in an early bed, thinking late thoughts
Waiting for the black to replace my blue."*

'10s

recommended by Molly Winslow

"Forrest Gump" by Frank Ocean, 2012

Searching for a hidden gem from your favorite artist? With touches of plot from the 1994 classic film, "Forrest Gump" is a wonderful solution.

This song floods your head and marinates your brain, leaving you humming for the remainder of the day. "Forrest Gump" will transport into a feeling of lost nostalgia. It contains a steady beat for head bopping, but the unique instrumentals push the glorious tune over the edge, encouraging subtle fist bumping as well.

Don't miss the opportunity, give "Forrest Gump" a listen.

"Forrest green, forrest blues, I'm remembering you."

'80s

recommended by Anna Olson

"Only You" by Yazoo, 1982

What time is it? It's synth o'clock! If you're in search of a song that's an easy listen while still wanting a funky electric keyboard in the background, look no further.

Listening to "Only You" by Yazoo will leave you uncontrollably air synth-ing. Truly, it's impossible to resist—we dare you to try. The fabulously synth pop duo of Vince Clark of Depeche

Mode and Alison Moyet will quickly have you creating new playlists filled with poppy electronic songs. So get your air-synthing hands ready as you are unleashed into the glorious world of new wave and Yazoo.

"All I needed was the love you gave. All I needed for another day. And all I ever knew. Only you"

'00s

recommended by Chloe Amonson

"Pale Drone" by aderbat, 2004

Slow melodious instrumentals and somber and complex lyrics tie together to produce this beautifully written song. Written by the band aderbat, the lead singer Matt Taylor, whose voice has a unique sense of calmness gives the song an emotional and nostalgic feeling.

This song is perfect for lounging around or put it on in the background while you do your homework.

The band has only released one album on Spotify, titled rabbits and rocks, which "Pale Drone" is featured on. Aderbat's two other EP's can be found under their bandcamp, as well as another albums under the bands other name, "Mammal of Paradise."

"And all you had was my love, and all I had was your love top. Did we ever know what we would do?"

'20s

recommended by Molly Winslow

"Pure Souls" by Kanye West, 2021

Kanye West is truly an architect, constructing a song that combines both chill and hype energy.

Not only does this beat pump you up, yet the poetic lyrics provide a refreshing new perspective on common issues. "Pure Souls" is the star of Kanye's recently released album, "Donda".

If you just can't get enough, try "Pure Souls" sister song, "Praise God". Feeling like a midweek pick-me-up? This melodic bop is the song for you.

"Personal worth is not what a person is worth."