



English Song
Activity
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Blowing in the wind by Bob Dylan



Listen to the song and complete the lyrics with the missing words

How many roads must a man walk down
Before you him a man ?
How many seas must a white dove sail
Before she in the sand ?
Yes, how many times must the cannonballs fly
Before they're banned ?
The answer my friend is blowing in the wind
The answer is blowing in the wind.

Yes, how many years can a exist
Before it's washed to the sea ?
Yes, how many years can some exist
Before they're allowed to be free ?
Yes, how many times can a man turn his
Pretending he just doesn't see ?
The answer my friend is blowing in the wind
The answer is blowing in the wind.

Yes, how many times must a man look up
Before he really sees the ?
Yes, how many ears must one man have
Before he can people cry ?
Yes, how many deaths will it take till he
That too many people have died ?
The answer my friend is blowing in the wind
The answer is blowing in the wind.



"Blowing in the Wind" is a song written in 1962 by Bob Dylan, the famous Nobel Prize winning American songwriter, singer, artist, and writer. Although it has been described as a protest song, it poses a series of questions about peace, war and freedom. It has been connected to the Vietnam war, although Dylan insisted it was not a protest song.

Read the lyrics carefully as a poem and express your opinion in a paragraph. Does the last line have a special meaning for you?



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How many roads must a man walk down
Before you call him a man ?
How many seas must a white dove sail
Before she sleeps in the sand ?
Yes, how many times must the cannon balls fly
Before they're forever banned ?
The answer my friend is blowing in the wind
The answer is blowing in the wind.

Yes, how many years can a mountain exist
Before it's washed to the sea ?
Yes, how many years can some people exist
Before they're allowed to be free ?
Yes, how many times can a man turn his head
Pretending he just doesn't see ?
The answer my friend is blowing in the wind
The answer is blowing in the wind.

Yes, how many times must a man look up
Before he really sees the sky ?
Yes, how many ears must one man have
Before he can hear people cry ?
Yes, how many deaths will it take till he knows
That too many people have died ?
The answer my friend is blowing in the wind
The answer is blowing in the wind.



[Bob Dylan](#) (born 1941) is an American singer-songwriter. Often considered to be one of the greatest songwriters in history, Dylan has been a major figure in popular culture over his 60-year career. He rose to prominence in the 1960s, when songs such as "[The Times They Are a-Changin'](#)" (1964) became anthems for the [civil rights](#) and [antiwar](#) movements. His lyrics incorporated political, social and philosophical influences, defying pop music conventions. **(source Wikipedia)**

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