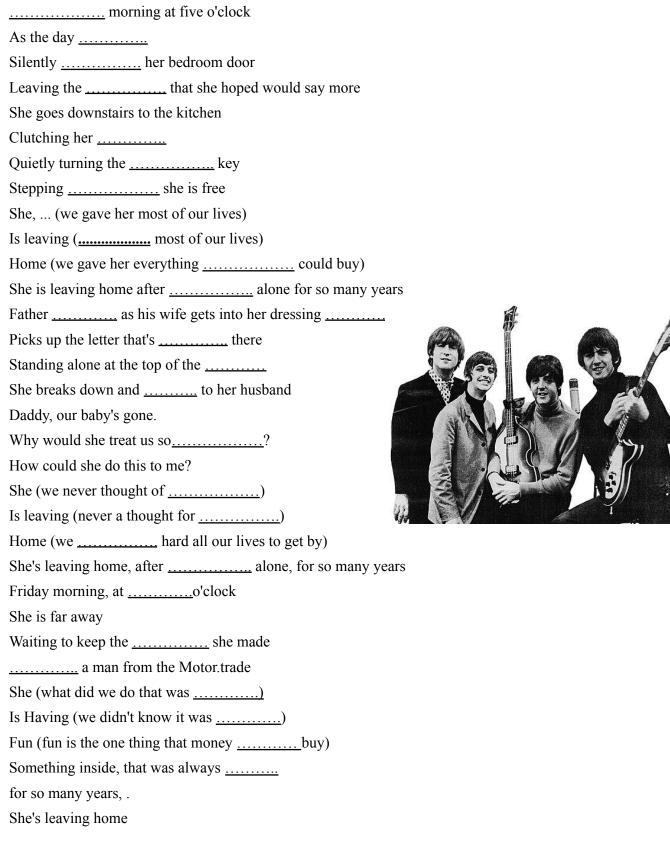
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She is leaving home by *The Beatles* Gerunds B1

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VaBPY78D88g



Listen to the song and complete the lyrics:







What do you think this song is about? Answer the question and then do the exercise below to find out:

Complete the text with the missing words

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She is leaving home by The Beatles Gerunds B1 Teacher's

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Wednesday morning at five o'clock As the day begins Silently closing her bedroom door Leaving the note that she hoped would say more She goes downstairs to the kitchen Clutching her handkerchief Quietly turning the <u>backdoor</u> key Stepping outside, she is free She, ... (we gave her most of our lives) Is leaving (sacrificed most of our lives) Home (we gave her everything money could buy) She is leaving home after living alone for so many years Father snores as his wife gets into her dressing gown Picks up the letter that's lving there Standing alone at the top of the stairs She breaks down and cries to her husband Daddy, our baby's gone. Why would she treat us so thoughtlessly? How could she do this to me? She (we never thought of <u>ourselves</u>) Is leaving (never a thought for <u>ourselves</u>) Home (we struggled hard all our lives to get by) She's leaving home, after living alone, for so many years Friday morning, at nine o'clock She is far away Waiting to keep the appointment she made Greeting a man from the Motor trade She (what did we do that was wrong) Is Having (we didn't know it was wrong) Fun (fun is the one thing that money can't buy) Something inside, that was always denied, for so many years, . She's leaving home





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The Beatles were an English rock band formed in Liverpool in 1960. The core lineup of the band comprised John Lennon, Paul McCartney, George Harrison and Ringo Starr. They are widely regarded as the most influential band of all time and were integral to the development of 1960s counterculture and the recognition of popular music as an art form. Rooted in skiffle, beat and 1950s rock 'n' roll, their sound incorporated elements of classical music and traditional pop in innovative ways. The band also explored music styles ranging from folk and Indian music to psychedelia and hard rock. As pioneers in recording, songwriting and artistic presentation, the Beatles revolutionized many aspects of the music industry and were often publicized as leaders of the era's youth and sociocultural movements. (source Wikipedia)

Song credits

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