

Snap Shot | Answer key

2 Taylor Swift – superstar

2 b Language in use

Learning about messages in Taylor Swift's songs

in¹, for², in³, after⁴, to⁵, with⁶, from⁷, for⁸, on⁹, on¹⁰, at¹¹, out¹², with¹³, for¹⁴

2 c Listening

Improving your English with Taylor Swift's song *Only The Young*

These lines refer to the elections of 2016 (President) and 2018 (Senate, House of Representatives):

The game was rigged, the ref got tricked
The wrong ones think they're right
You were outnumbered, this time

Then President Trump used to call the elections "rigged". "outnumbered" refers to the fact that Trump became president in 2016 although he got fewer votes than Hillary Clinton.

This verse refers to the mass shootings whose victims often are students:

You brace for the sound
You've only heard on TV
You go to class, scared
Wondering where the best hiding spot would be
And the big bad man and his big bad clan
Their hands are stained with red
Oh, how quickly, they forget

2 e Reading

Exploring the reasons for Taylor Swift's popularity

1	teenagers and young adults
2	cannot sing really well / isn't the best singer
3	friendship / life lessons / confidence / love / relationships
4	to her fans
5	emotions / experiences
6	gender / gun control / pro-choice / racial equality