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## Songwriter Neil Sedaka dies aged 86

### Description

Neil Sedaka, a famous singer and songwriter, has died at the age of 86. He was known for his catchy songs in the 1960s and 1970s. The cause of his death is not known yet.

His family said they are very sad about his sudden passing. They remember him as a rock and roll legend and a great person.

Sedaka started his music career when rock 'n' roll began. He wrote and performed many happy songs for young people. Some of his hits include "Stupid Cupid" and "Breaking Up Is Hard to Do." He worked a lot with the singer Connie Francis.

Later, Sedaka faced challenges when new bands, like the Beatles, became popular. He spent some time in England and worked hard to find success again. In the 1970s, Elton John helped him, and he had more hits like "Laughter in the Rain."

Sedaka continued to perform even in his later years. He is survived by his wife, daughter, son, and three grandchildren.

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### Vocabulary List:

1. **Famous** /'feɪ.məs/ (adjective): Well-known by many people.
2. **Songwriter** /'sɒŋ.raɪ.tər/ (noun): A person who writes songs.
3. **Catchy** /'kætʃ.i/ (adjective): Easy to remember and like.
4. **Sad** /sæd/ (adjective): Feeling unhappy or sorrowful.
5. **Passing** /'pæs.ɪŋ/ (noun): The act of someone dying.
6. **Legend** /'lɛdʒ.ənd/ (noun): A person admired for greatness.

## Comprehension Questions

### Multiple Choice

1. At what age did Neil Sedaka pass away?

Option: 80



- Option: 86
- Option: 90
- Option: 75

2. Which decade is Neil Sedaka primarily associated with?

- Option: 1950s
- Option: 1960s
- Option: 1980s
- Option: 1990s

3. Who was a frequent collaborator of Neil Sedaka?

- Option: Elton John
- Option: The Beatles
- Option: Connie Francis
- Option: Bob Dylan

4. What was one of Neil Sedaka's hit songs?

- Option: Yesterday
- Option: Stupid Cupid
- Option: Hotel California
- Option: Imagine

5. What genre is Neil Sedaka's music primarily considered?

- Option: Jazz
- Option: Classical
- Option: Rock and Roll
- Option: Hip Hop

6. Which legendary band became popular, challenging Neil Sedaka's career?

- Option: The Rolling Stones
- Option: The Beach Boys
- Option: The Beatles
- Option: The Supremes

### True-False

7. Neil Sedaka was known for his sad songs.



8. Neil Sedaka continued to perform into his later years.
9. The cause of Neil Sedaka's death is well known.
10. Sedaka had a hit song called 'Laughter in the Rain.'
11. Neil Sedaka's family is celebrating his passing.
12. Neil Sedaka worked alone throughout his career.

### Gap-Fill

13. Neil Sedaka was a famous singer and songwriter who died at the age of \_\_\_\_\_.
14. Some of Neil Sedaka's hits include 'Stupid Cupid' and 'Breaking Up Is Hard to \_\_\_\_\_.'
15. Sedaka faced challenges when new bands like the \_\_\_\_\_ became popular.
16. In the 1970s, Elton John helped Sedaka achieve more \_\_\_\_\_.
17. Neil Sedaka's family remembers him as a rock and roll \_\_\_\_\_ and a great person.
18. Sedaka is survived by his wife, daughter, son, and \_\_\_\_\_ grandchildren.

### Answer

**Multiple Choice:** 1. 86 2. 1960s 3. Connie Francis 4. Stupid Cupid 5. Rock and Roll 6. The Beatles

**True-False:** 7. False 8. True 9. False 10. True 11. False 12. False

**Gap-Fill:** 13. 86 14. Do 15. Beatles 16. hits 17. legend 18. three

### Vocabulary quizzes

#### Multiple Choice ( Select the Correct answer for each question. )

1. Who is often referred to as a legend in the world of music?

Option: Marilyn Monroe

Option: Bob Dylan



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- Option: Elvis Presley  
Option: Beethoven
2. What is typically used by a detective during investigations?  
Option: Camera  
Option: Flashlight  
Option: Magnifying glass  
Option: Scissors
3. What term refers to the total income generated by a company?  
Option: Cost  
Option: Profit  
Option: Revenue  
Option: Debt
4. What is a common issue that individuals might struggle with impacting their lives and health?  
Option: Obsession  
Option: Addiction  
Option: Interest  
Option: Distraction
5. What procedure involves operating on a patient to treat a medical condition?  
Option: Therapy  
Option: Medication  
Option: Surgery  
Option: Rehabilitation
6. What is essential for individuals going through difficult times?  
Option: Isolation  
Option: Support  
Option: Criticism  
Option: Neglect
7. What type of television program is typically limited in number of episodes?  
Option: Soap opera  
Option: Miniseries  
Option: Reality show  
Option: Documentary
8. What term describes an increase in size or economic development?  
Option: Decline  
Option: Stagnation  
Option: Growth



Option: Reduction

9. What word describes a condition that is not harmful or malignant?

Option: Malignant

Option: Fatal

Option: Benign

Option: Serious

10. What do individuals often make to assert a right or demand?

Option: Statements

Option: Complaints

Option: Claims

Option: Promises

**Gap-Fill ( Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list. )**

11. The musician wrote a \_\_\_\_\_ tune that quickly became popular.

12. She felt \_\_\_\_\_ about the upcoming concert of her favorite band.

13. There was a notable \_\_\_\_\_ in sales during the winter season.

14. The financial \_\_\_\_\_ predicted growth for the upcoming quarter.

15. In many stories the \_\_\_\_\_ are known for creating conflict and challenges for heroes.

16. The critic gave a very \_\_\_\_\_ review of the new film due to its poor storyline.

17. The car \_\_\_\_\_ caused a significant delay on the highway.

18. A blocked \_\_\_\_\_ can lead to serious health complications.

19. Friends can provide emotional \_\_\_\_\_ during difficult times.

20. The patient required \_\_\_\_\_ to remove the tumor.

**Matching Sentences ( Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list. )**

21. A legend often refers to someone who is iconic and has left a significant mark in history.

22. A miniseries is a television format that presents a story in a limited set of episodes.



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| 23. Profit is what remains after all expenses have been deducted from revenue.                             |
| 24. Being respectful is important in maintaining healthy relationships and communication.                  |
| 25. Addiction can profoundly affect a person's relationships and well-being.                               |
| 26. A benign health condition is generally not life-threatening and does not require aggressive treatment. |
| 27. A decrease in production can lead to lower revenue and potential layoffs.                              |
| 28. He filed multiple claims for damages after the incident occurred.                                      |
| 29. Communities come together to show their support during times of crisis.                                |
| 30. A smoke detector is an essential device for safety in households to detect fires early.                |

## Answer

**Multiple Choice:** 1. Elvis Presley 2. Magnifying glass 3. Revenue 4. Addiction 5. Surgery 6. Support 7. Miniseries 8. Growth 9. Benign 10. Claims

**Gap-Fill:** 11. catchy 12. excited 13. decrease 14. analysts 15. villains 16. harsh 17. accident 18. artery 19. support 20. surgery

**Matching sentence:** 1. legend 2. miniseries 3. profit 4. respectful 5. addiction 6. benign 7. decrease 8. claims 9. support 10. detector

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