

JOHN LENNON

John Lennon ... (be) an English musician, singer and songwriter who ... (rise) to worldwide fame as a founder member of the Beatles, the most commercially successful band in the history of popular music. With Paul McCartney, he ... (form) a songwriting partnership that is one of the most celebrated of the 20th century.

He ... (be) born on the 9th of October, 1940 in Liverpool. His first band, the Quarrymen, ... (evolve) into the Beatles in 1960. When the group ... (disband) in 1970, Lennon ... (start) a solo career. After his marriage to Yoko Ono in 1969, he ... (change) his name to John Ono Lennon. Lennon ... (leave) the music business in 1975 to raise his son Sean, but ... (appear) with Ono in 1980 with the new album Double Fantasy. He ... (be) killed three weeks after its release, on the 8th December 1980.

In 2002, a BBC poll on the 100 Greatest Britons ... (name) him eighth and, in 2008, Rolling Stone ... (rank) him the fifth-greatest singer of all time. In 1987 he ... (be) inducted into the Songwriters Hall of Fame and in 1994, into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.