

How To Host A ‘Name That Tune’ Party

Hey there, music enthusiast! 🎵 Are you ready to embark on a musical adventure by hosting your very own “Name That Tune” game? Well, you’re in for a treat because we’re here to guide you through the process, step by step. Get ready to entertain your friends, family, or colleagues with some toe-tapping, head-bobbing fun! 🎉

Getting Started:

Before you kickstart the musical showdown, let’s gather all the necessary tools and prep for your Name That Tune game:

1. **Curate Your Playlist:** The heart of your game is the playlist. Create a diverse and engaging list of songs from different genres and eras. The more variety, the more exciting the game will be! We recommend forty-one songs, organized into five eight song rounds, plus a one song practice round for audio levels. Spotify has a large variety of Name that Tune playlists available for use. We have created five playlists to make things easy:

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2. **Answer Sheets:** We suggest gameplay where players write down their answers. See below for a sample answer sheet

Answer Sheet

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Artist:

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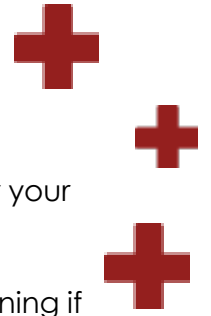
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3. **Participants Galore:** Invite your friends, family, or colleagues to join your game. Remember, the more, the merrier! Participants can play as solos, better for groups of 6 or less, or teams.

Optional: Virtual Meeting Account: If you wish to host a virtual I game, ensure that you have access to Zoom. We have tested on Teams to no avail.





Rules of the Game

Every great game needs some rules. Here's a rundown of our suggested rules for your Name That Tune contest:

1. The DJ will play the opening 15-20 seconds of a song. You can repeat the opening if desired.
 2. Each song is worth two points, one point for the song title and one point for artist.
 3. Players write down answers on their answer sheet, both Artist and Song Title.
 4. At the conclusion of the round, review the songs played for that round and ask teams to tally up their scores. The team with the most points win.
- Name that Tune can be played in a variety of ways. We suggest using paper to write down answers, but if you desire a more high-energy experience, you can ask participants to raise their hands, make a noise, etc. For team play, we suggest mixing up how teams can answer. For earlier rounds, teams can work together, and for later rounds participants must take turns answering.

Get feedback on your audio levels.

Before starting the game, do a sound check with a sample song.

Play a test tune and ask your attendees if they can hear it ok, or if it's too loud or soft. Adjust to taste using the volume slider at the bottom right of the Spotify app (player), not the audio controls on your keyboard.

You may have to keep adjusting the volume as you go, since some songs are louder on Spotify than others. It also helps to turn down the Spotify volume when you want to talk over a song – for example if you want to give a hint, without stopping the song. Note that you can use the space bar to pause and re-start the music at will – much easier than hitting play and pause with your mouse.

Keeping the Energy Up:

To keep the energy high and the fun flowing, consider these tips:

1. **Theme Rounds:** Create themed rounds, like "80s Hits" or "Movie Soundtracks," to add variety and excitement.
2. **Prizes:** Spice up the competition by offering small prizes for the winners. It could be as simple as bragging rights, a fun certificate, or even arts tickets. Recognition is half the fun!

Virtual Set-Up

If playing virtually, make sure you have your application set-up properly.

1. Share Computer Sound: Click on the “Share Screen” button and be sure to check the “Share computer sound” box. This ensures everyone can hear the music loud and clear.
2. Fine-Tune Your Sound: In the Zoom settings, navigate to “Advanced Sharing Options” and enable “Original Sound” for the best audio quality. This will prevent Zoom from trying to eliminate background noise, which can affect the music.

Correct Responses

If you use our playlists, here are the correct responses:

Playlist 1

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| 1. Song: My Girl | Artist: The Temptations |
| 2. Song: Don't Worry Be Happy | Artist: Bobby McFerrin |
| 3. Song: What Makes You Beautiful | Artist: One Direction |
| 4. Song: Chattahoochee | Artist: Alan Jackson |
| 5. Song: I'll Make a Man Out of You | Artist: Mulan OR Donny Osmond |
| 6. Song: Larger Than Life | Artist: Backstreet Boys |
| 7. Song: Lose Control | Artist: Teddy Swims |
| 8. Song: Achy Breaky Heart | Artist: Billy Ray Cyrus |

Playlist 2

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| 1. Song: Girls Just Want to Have Fun | Artist: Cyndi Lauper |
| 2. Song: Walking on Sunshine | Artist: Katrina & the Waves |
| 3. Song: With Arms Wide Open | Artist: Creed |
| 4. Song: Colors of the Wind | Artist: Pocahontas OR Judy Kuhn |
| 5. Song: Do-Re-Mi | Artist: Sound of Music |
| 6. Song: Espresso | Artist: Sabrina Carpenter |
| 7. Song: I Can Do It With a Broken Heart | Artist: Taylor Swift |
| 8. Song: Creep | Artist: Radiohead |

Playlist 3

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| 1. Song: ABC | Artist: Jackson 5 |
| 2. Song: I'm a Believer | Artist: The Monkees |
| 3. Song: Wake Me Up | Artist: Avicii |
| 4. Song: Party in the U.S.A. | Artist: Miley Cyrus |
| 5. Song: Fancy | Artist: Reba McEntire |
| 6. Song: Africa | Artist: TOTO |
| 7. Song: Semi-Charmed Life | Artist: Third Eye Blind |
| 8. Song: Back at One | Artist: Brian McKnight |

Playlist 4

1. Song: Blue
2. Song: What a Wonderful World
3. Song: The Fox (What does the Fox say?)
4. Song: We Found Love
5. Song: The Devil Went Down to Georgia
6. Song: Can't Help Falling in Love
7. Song: Brown Eyed Girl
8. Song: Seasons of Love

Playlist 5

1. Song: The Lion Sleeps Tonight
2. Song: Story of My Life
3. Song: A Thousand Miles
4. Song: Circle of Life
5. Song: Beautiful Soul
6. Song: Goodbye Earl
7. Song: Dancing Queen
8. Song: Every Breath You Take

- Artist: Eiffel 65
Artist: Louis Armstrong
Artist: Ylvis
Artist: Rihanna and/or Calvin Harris
Artist: Charlie Daniels Band
Artist: Elvis Presley
Artist: Van Morrison
Artist: RENT

- Artist: The Tokens
Artist: One Direction
Artist: Vanessa Carlton
Artist: The Lion King
Artist: Jesse McCartney
Artist: The Chicks
Artist: ABBA
Artist: The Police