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1. INXS
2. B-52's
3. Greyhound
4. Chiptune (also called 8-bit music)
5. Elvis Presley
6. Woody Guthrie
7. Harmonica
8. Led Zeppelin
9. "Sabotage"
10. Keith Moon (drummer of The Who)
11. Jay-Z
12. "Slip out the back, Jack"

1. 🎸 Released in 1987, "Need You Tonight" became INXS's biggest hit, reaching No. 1 on the US Billboard Hot 100 and earning a Grammy nomination.
2. 🦀 "Rock Lobster" was the breakout single for The B-52's — and its surreal lyrics and surf-guitar sound made it a cult classic. It even inspired John Lennon to return to recording!
3. 🚌 Greyhound buses symbolise freedom and escape in many songs — such as "Take Me to the Pilot" (Elton John), "Downtown Train" (Rod Stewart), and "New York State of Mind" (Billy Joel).
4. 🎮 Chiptune (also called 8-bit music) gained popularity with retro games like Mega Man and Pokémon. Today, it's a niche genre celebrated in indie music and gaming circles.
5. 🎤 "Black Velvet" refers to Elvis's trademark look and legacy. The sultry blues-rock ballad won a Grammy in 1991 and became Myles's signature song.
6. ⚔️ Woody Guthrie used his music as a weapon against injustice and inequality during the Great Depression and World War II. The phrase became an enduring symbol of protest music.
7. 🎵 The chromatic harmonica uses a button to access all semitones, making it ideal for jazz and classical players.
8. 🏢 Chess Records sued Led Zeppelin over songwriting credits because many of their early songs were heavily inspired by Willie Dixon's blues compositions.
9. 📺 The "Sabotage" video is a hilarious and iconic homage to 1970s cop shows, and it helped popularise Spike Jonze as a director.
10. 🎸 Keith Moon jokingly said the band would "go down like a lead balloon," inspiring the name "Led Zeppelin." The spelling was adjusted to avoid mispronunciation.
11. 🎤 Jay-Z's 1998 hit "Hard Knock Life (Ghetto Anthem)" cleverly samples the children's chorus from Annie, bringing Broadway to hip-hop.
12. 📖 Paul Simon's 1975 hit 50 Ways to Leave Your Lover is actually a bit of a trick — despite the title, he only lists a handful of ways! The first? "Slip out the back, Jack."

