Robert Marley was born in 1945 in Nine Mile, Jamaica. When he moved to Kingston **he heard American blues and soul music on the radio**. He began to sing and write music. He played ska, a fast dance music with an African beat. **Later his music used a slower rhythm with a strong back beat. This was called reggae**. In the 1970s, Bob Marley and *The Wailers* became famous in the West Indies and then in Britain. They made the first reggae album *Exodus* in 1977. **Marley thought that it was important that black people in North America remember their African roots**. He thought a black king in Ethiopia, called Ras Tafari, could save all black people. **His songs were about freedom, love and peace**. He died of cancer in 1981. He was only 36 years old but his music will live for a long time.

Jamaica is an island in the Caribbean Sea. It is south of Cuba and west of Haiti in a group of islands called the West Indies. About two and a half million people live in Jamaica. English is the official language.The weather in Jamaica is hot and sunny and many tourists visit the beautiful beaches.

move: umziehen, zügeln
beat: schlagender Rhythmus

root: Wurzel
save: (er)retten

freedom: Freiheit
cancer: Krebs

*remember heißt "**sich erinnern an**"*
(Im Deutschen ist dieses Verb reflexiv und hat eine Präposition – **im Englischen nicht**!)

1. Ich erinnere mich an Bob Marley. – *I remember Bob Marley.* ....

2. Erinnerst du dich an seine Musik? ....

3. Ich kann mich nicht an die Musik erinnern. ....

4. Kannst du dich an sein erstes Album erinnern. ....

5. Sie erinnerte sich an Bob Marley. ....

*Fill in **about, for, from, in, of, on, to, -***

He was born ....1945. He moved ....Kingston. He heard music .... the radio. He became famous .... the 1970s. I remember .... the music. He went .... Britain. He played .... Britain. His songs were .... freedom. They were also .... love. He died .... 1981. He died .... cancer. His music will live ....long time. Jamaica is ....the Caribbean Sea. It is south ....Cuba. Jamaica is famous .... good coffee. Jamaica became independent (unabhängig)........... Britain .... 1962. The capital .... Jamaica is Kingston.