

Rihanna and Bieber to be in a Charity Album

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英语学习点: *Charities and Giving* 慈善和捐助

Some of the world's top music stars are coming together **in the name of charity**. A special album will be released at the end of this week to **raise money** for victims of the recent massive earthquake and tsunami in Japan.



Rihanna will contribute a song to the album

U2, Rihanna and Bon Jovi have all agreed to **contribute** songs to the digital-only release.

The young internet sensation Justin Bieber will also appear on the **benefit album**. He announced on Twitter: "Japan needs our help... We all need to **step up**."

There are also rumours that Lady Gaga will **donate** a song. She has designed a special wristband to sell to fans, with all **proceeds** going to the relief effort. Last week she announced her fans had raised \$250,000 (1.7 million yuan) within the first two days of sales.

Other musicians, including Lou Reed and Philip Glass, will perform at a special fundraiser in New York on April 9th.

While ordinary people often raise money for charity by being **sponsored** to do something, it has become common for musicians to contribute their voices for a **good cause**. Last year more than 21 stars sang together on the single 'Everybody Hurts,' in aid of the Haiti earthquake.

Over 9,000 people are known to have died in the recent **disaster** and over 12,000 people are still missing.

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Comprehension Quiz 阅读短文并回答问题

1. Why have lots of pop stars come together?
2. Will you be able to buy the album in shops?
3. Does Justin Bieber think we are doing enough for Japan?
4. What is Lady Gaga going to do with the money she gets from her wristbands?
5. What two verbs in the passage mean 'to give'?

Exercise 练习

阅读文章中的关键黑体单词然后完成下面的句子。从每句话下面的方框中选出5个单词填入空格中。

1. "I'm swimming across the Thames ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ charity."

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2. "You're going to fail your exams ___ ___ ___ ___ ___!"

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3. In order ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ of the tsunami, Lady Gaga is selling wristbands.

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4. "I don't mind spending money on this. It's ___ ___ ___ ___ ___."

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5. Lots of people do silly things ___ ___ ___ ___ ___.

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Answers and Glossary 答案与词汇

Comprehension Quiz 阅读短文并回答问题

1. Why have lots of pop stars come together? To create an album that raises money for Japan.
2. Will you be able to buy the album in shops? No. It is digital-only.
3. Does Justin Bieber think we are doing enough for Japan? No, he thinks we need to step up.
4. What is Lady Gaga going to do with the money she gets from her wristbands? She's going to give it to people trying to help victims of the earthquake and tsunami.
5. What two verbs in the passage mean 'to give'? To donate, to contribute

Exercise 练习

1. "I'm swimming across the Thames in aid of a cancer charity."
2. "You're going to fail your exams unless you really step up!"
3. In order to raise money for victims of the tsunami, Lady Gaga is selling wristbands.
4. "I don't mind spending money on this. It's all for a good cause."
5. Lots of people do silly things in the name of charity.

Glossary 词汇表

in the name of charity 以慈善的名义	to raise money for something 为某事筹集资金
to contribute to something 为...捐献	benefit album 公益唱片
to step up (非正式) 行动起来、付出责任	to donate something 捐献某物
wristband 腕带	proceeds 收入
relief effort 救助行为	fundraiser 筹款活动
to be sponsored to do something 被资助做某事	for a good cause 正当理由、慈善
in aid of something 用以援助某事	disaster 灾难

