

Shakespeare has probably been one of the most popular writers up to this day. Not only did he write many plays, he further created numerous sonnets. Sonnets are a special kind of poem which follows a strict structure.

At the beginning of this year we worked with Shakespearian literature and were given the task to transform lyrics of different well-known songs into sonnets.

Today we are happy to share some of our results with you. Enjoy!

**Songs:**

<b>John Lennon – Imagine</b>	<b>The Beatles – Help!</b>
<p>Imagine there's no heaven            It's easy if you try            No hell below us            Above us only sky            Imagine all the people            Living for today            I...            Imagine there's no            countries            It isn't hard to do            Nothing to kill or die for            And no religion too            Imagine all the people            Living life in peace            You...            You may say I'm a            dreamer            But I'm not the only one            I hope someday you'll join            us            And the world will be as            one            Imagine no possessions            I wonder if you can            No need for greed or            hunger            A brotherhood of man            Imagine all the people            Sharing all the world            You...            You may say I'm a            dreamer            But I'm not the only one            I hope someday you'll join            us            And the world will live as            one</p>	<p>Help! I need somebody            Help! Not just anybody            Help! You know I need someone            Help!            When I was younger, so much            younger than today            I never needed anybody's help in any way            But now these days are gone and I'm            not so self assured            Now I find I've changed my mind, I've opened up the doors            Help me if you can, I'm feeling down            And I do appreciate you being 'round            Help me get my feet back on the            ground            Won't you please, please help me?            And now my life has changed in oh so            many ways            My independence seems to vanish in            the haze            But every now and then I feel so            insecure            I know that I just need you like I've never done before            Help me if you can, I'm feeling down            And I do appreciate you being 'round            Help me get my feet back on the            ground            Won't you please, please help me?            When I was younger, so much            younger than today            I never needed anybody's help in any way            But now these days are gone, I'm not so self assured            Now I find I've changed my mind, I've opened up the doors            Help me if you can, I'm feeling down            And I do appreciate you being 'round            Help me get my feet back on the            ground            Won't you please, please help me?            Help me, help me, oh</p>

## Sonnet Adaptations

... of „Imagine“ (John Lennon)

I realize a world in pain  
The countries are at war  
We should use our brain  
Please stop this terror

I imagined a world  
A life in peace  
Is it a perfect dreamworld?  
Or just a brief sneeze

A world without religion  
The humans don't split off  
Without a symbolic pigeon  
So, turn your face off

I am not dreaming  
I am just screaming

Imagine there is no love for you,  
no one caring about you.  
With you only your family,  
Imagine there is someone living only for you. I...

Imagine your family also leaves you  
isn't it hard to have no-one,  
None to talk to in your darkest times,  
imagine all the people having a partner, But you...

You may say I am a dreamer  
but I am just a high prophetically speaker,  
I hope someday you will have some  
and never be alone again. You...

You may say I am a dreamer,  
I am just dreaming of you

Imagine there is no heaven above,  
think about it, just try to envision.  
Imagine all the people with only love,  
all are happy and there's no division.

Imagine there are no countries anymore,  
no borders which foment conflict as well.  
No reason to fight, nothing to kill for,  
All people would live in peace, I can tell.

Imagine there are no more possessions,  
I wonder if you can, if you do care.  
No need for greed and no more depression  
No more hunger and all people would share.

You say I'm a dreamer that never is done,  
But in my dreams the whole round world is one.

... of „Help!“ (the Beatles)

Help me, it won't stop to bleed  
Help me, or it will never heal  
Help me, I can't get on my feet  
Help me, it's too much for me to deal

I don't know what do  
I'm just a desperate fool  
You don't have the slightest clue  
Slowly running out of fuel

Find myself standing on a ledge  
While I almost drown in morning haziness  
Nearly falling off the edge  
Tired of my own bothering laziness

See your shadow appear under my feet  
Taking your hand and get back on the street

Back in the days  
when I was still sure of my ways  
I never did yelp  
Nor needed nobody's help

But now I've changed my mind:  
In so many ways  
It would be nice if someone stays  
Would you be so kind?

And help me when I'm blind  
Or if I'm feeling down  
To not fall behind  
But get my feet back on the ground

The voices of beloved surrounding  
To help me keeping myself from drowning

As a young child, I was independent  
I didn't need someone's help  
So, I get into alcohol dependence  
I was like a young whelp

Now the time has changed  
I need help urgently  
I need someone in my range  
Didn't learn it at the university

My independence is disappeared  
I need you to get me back  
The loneliness I feared  
Please, help me, I am a wrack

I am a 9 out of 10 sweet  
But you are the 1 I need