



Responding to opinions

Listen to the audio clip **Giving an opinion on digital music** to find out what Mike thinks about the growth of digital and free music.

Do you think these statements about Mike's views are true (T) or false (F)?

1. Mike's in favour of free music.
2. He thinks you listen more times to music if you've paid 79p for it.
3. He says sometimes you have to listen 20 times to be able to appreciate the music.
4. He thinks digital and free music is more disposable.
5. He says people might only listen to digital music once or not at all.
6. He would like to see more independent record shops.
7. He doesn't like old-style records.
8. He doesn't like digital music because you can't hold it in your hand or look at a record sleeve.

What do you think about Mike's views? Do you **agree** with him? Do you have a **different opinion**? Think of a way you could give your own opinion. You could use expressions like:

I agree. I think...
Yes, but what about...?
No, I don't agree. I think...
I'm more bothered by....
Mmm, maybe, but...

Your response to Mike: _____

Sometimes in discussions you might want to **interrupt** someone to give your own opinion. Listen to the audio clip again. Are there any places where you might be able to interrupt Mike to give your opinion? Ask a friend for their opinion on something and give your response.