

As mentioned, here is a mail containing (almost) random suggestions of things to watch, read, listen to. There's a special section on Water / rain / rivers (see at the end) and more general suggestions.

The leading ideas are: pleasure and taking a fun break in my revision and practicing English differently.

You can pick and choose or just ignore the whole thing!

■ MUSIC

You don't need me for this but I'm here to remind you that:

- **the BBC** has several radios entirely dedicated to music

BBC Radio 1 for pop, chart hits, electronica, hip hop

BBC Radio 3 for classical music

(I mentioned the BBC Proms in class. It's all [here](#) but unfortunately the BBC iplayer is for the UK only. Here is [the list of tracks played for the last night](#) (only super popular theme and particularly [Elgar's Pomp and Circumstance](#),

another crowd-pleasing favourite after Rule Britannia)

BBC Radio 1 Xtra for Black contemporary music

BBC Radio 1 Dance

BBC Radio 6 Music for Alternative / indie Music

BBC Radio Anthems, the latest creation (dedicated to replaying "The biggest Radio Hits")

BBC Radio 1 is particularly famous for its live sessions at their studio, Maida Vale

Here are two of the most recent ones ([Ezra Collective](#) and [Lola Young](#))

Here are two of the most famous ones [the Beatles in 1963](#) and [Oasis](#)

and plenty more [HERE](#)

Here are all the BBC Stations <https://www.bbc.co.uk/sounds/stations>

- There are [MANY American music radio stations](#).

Personally I often go for NPR and I would strongly recommend [the Tiny Desk Concerts](#)

And for Jazz music, I'd go there <https://www.wbgo.org/>

■ POETRY

- Poetry is seen as a literary genre and you have mainly encountered it in its written form. But poetry is very much a live form, especially in the UK and the US. Yes, OK we do have the Cicéronnades but **poetry reading competitions** are an institution there!

See for example: <https://www.poetryoutloud.org/watch-recitation-videos/>

<https://www.poetryoutloud.org/listen-to-poems/>

- Many **famous poets** have read their poetry and many famous **actors and actresses** have recorded famous poems.

Here are just a few suggestions

Poems read by [Richard Burton](#)

Poems read by [Anthony Hopkins](#)

Poems read by [Jeremy Irons](#)

Poems and Letters read by [Benedict Cumberbatch](#)

[SONNETS IN SOLITUDE](#)

During lockdown the Royal Shakespeare Company read ALL OF Shakespeare's sonnets; yes all of them!

And plenty more here! <https://www.youtube.com/@YouTubePoetrywithAllieEsiri>

- But there's a very lively and popular form of poetry: **SPOKEN WORD**

It can be SLAM.

The father of Slam and dub poetry is **LKJ** ([Linton Kwesi Johnson](#)) See for example [HERE](#)

You can also take a look at **SAUL WILLIAMS'** s work <https://saulwilliams.com/>

The [movie SLAM](#) is a good start or else this live performance at the [Toronto Slam Festival](#)

More recently, in Britain Hollie McNish and Kae Tempest have become "poet stars" (attention, ça décoiffe)

HOLLIE MCNISH

<https://holliepoetry.com/>

One of her most famous poems [Pink or Blue](#)

In French, because she speaks French [Hollie reading poems from her collection SLUG](#)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X7m_yBrCn4&ab_channel=HollieMcNish

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5NLpLV5nUi0&ab_channel=RT%C3%89-](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5NLpLV5nUi0&ab_channel=RT%C3%89-IRELAND%E2%80%99SNATIONALPUBLICSERVICEMEDIA)

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KAE TEMPEST

Their groundbreaking collection of Poems / CD (they got several prestigious literary prize for it) [Let Them Eat Chaos](#)

Their latest tour : <https://www.arte.tv/fr/videos/120104-010-A/kae-tempest/>

- Maiwenn read TRACY K. SMITH's poem Wade in the Water in class. Here is a moving exchange between [the poet and the British poet Jay Bernard](#) reading a lot of their poems

More generally you will find hundreds of poems and reference articles on poets and literary movements at **The Poetry Foundation** [here](#). Don't get lost in it; it's a treasure trove

- And in the press

The Guardian's [Poem of the Week](#)

The New York Times <https://www.nytimes.com/column/magazine-poem>

I Swear [This Poem Didn't Make Me Cry](#)

■ THEATRE AND DANCE SHOWS

Let me be quick: you can watch for free or rent or buy a show (for about £8 to £10 and for 48 hours)

- at The Globe <https://player.shakespearesglobe.com/>

- at the National Theatre at Home (to me the BEST of British drama is played there) <https://www.ntathome.com/products>

- on the [Digital Theatre platform](#) (where you will find many of the Royal Shakespeare Company's productions)

- on Arte Concert (for some dance go [HERE](#))

[This is the one](#) everyone is talking about right now. Or [some Dickens in a ballet?](#)

■ MORE ART ABOUT WATER RAIN RIVERS

- **MUSIC**: I've been working on a playlist with songs and jazz and classical music pieces. So if you are a deezer user [here it is](#). If not see the list below ***It is a very disparate and very personal selection***

But many of them can be found with the links below:

<https://www.musicgrotto.com/songs-about-rivers/>

<https://songpier.com/songs-about-rivers/>

https://edutheque.philharmoniedeparis.fr/l-eau-en-musique.aspx?_lg=fr-FR

- MOVIES

There are plenty but here are just a few suggestions

- this documentary is not available yet but it would be a good complement to File 10 (the river that flows in Britol in the Severn but the Avon! My bad)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hEdCqLFfrxw&t=171s&ab_channel=EightySitaProductions














































- Here's is a [fairly decent list of movies about rivers.](#)










































To which one could add *Erin Brockovich* ([based on a true story](#)) and *Dark Waters*

If I were to select five, I would go for: Spirited Away, The River of No Return, A River Runs Through it, Mud and The Host

Et voilà!

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	Riverside	  ...	Agnes Obel	Philharmonics
	River Man	  ...	Nick Drake	Five Leaves Left
	The River of No Return (From "La Riviere Sans Retourn "...	  ...	Marilyn Monroe	The River of No Return (From...
	Rise	  ...	Eddie Vedder	Into The Wild (Music For The ...
	River	  ...	Leon Bridges	Coming Home (Deluxe)
	The River	  ...	Bruce Springsteen	The River
	Yes, the River Knows	  ...	The Doors	Waiting for the Sun
	Take Me to the River	  ...	Talking Heads	More Songs About Buildings ...
	Cry Me A River (Album Version)	  ...	Ella Fitzgerald	Love Letters From Ella - The ...
	River Man	  ...	Brad Mehldau	Songs: The Art of the Trio, V...
	Moon River (From "Breakfast at Tiffany's")	  ...	Andy Williams	The Very Best Of Andy Willia...
	Ol' Man River	  ...	Paul Robeson	Ol' Man River
	River	  ...	Herbie Hancock, Corinne Bail...	River: The Joni Letters
	Harlem River	  ...	Kevin Morby	Harlem River
	Rivers	  ...	SIX60	SIX60

	Green River (Remastered 1985)			...	Creedence Clearwater Revival	Creedence Clearwater Reviv...
	By the Rivers Dark			...	Leonard Cohen	Ten New Songs
	Singing in the Rain			...	Gene Kelly, Debbie Reynolds,...	Singing In the Rain (Chanton...
	Many Rivers To Cross			...	Jimmy Cliff	Essential Festival: Jimmy Cliff...
	Down By The Water			...	PJ Harvey	To Bring You My Love
	River			...	Joni Mitchell	Blue
	Platée [ou Junon jalouse] : Rameau: Platée [ou Junon jalouse] ...		...	...	Les Musiciens du Louvre, Ma...	Rameau: Une symphonie ima...
	Purcell: King Arthur, Z. 628, Act 4: Duet. "Two Daughters of Th...		...	...	les Arts Florissants, William ...	Purcell: King Arthur, Z. 628
	Symphony No. 6 in F Major, Op. 68 "Pastoral" : Beethoven: Sy...		Berliner Philharmoniker, Herb...	Beethoven: The 9 Symphonies
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	J. Strauss II: An der schönen blauen Donau, Waltz, Op. 3...			...	Berliner Philharmoniker, Herb...	Karajan Gold
	Estampes, L. 100 : Debussy: Estampes, L. 100: III. Jardins sous...		...	...	Víkingur Ólafsson, Claude De...	Debussy – Rameau
	Images I, L. 110 : Debussy: Images I, L. 110: I. Reflets dans l'eau		...	...	Seong-Jin Cho, Claude Debu...	Debussy
	Préludes / Book 2, L. 123 : Debussy: Préludes / Book 2, L. 123:...		...	...	Víkingur Ólafsson, Claude De...	Debussy – Rameau
	Ravel: Jeux d'eau, M. 30		...	...	Seong-Jin Cho, Maurice Ravel	Ravel: The Complete Solo Pia...
	Toru Takemitsu - Rain Tree Sketch		...	...	Ryota Yazawa	R PLAYS PIANO
	Takemitsu: Garden Rain		...	...	Philip Jones Brass Ensemble	Takemitsu: Garden Rain