

## The Soundtrack of J.P.'s life

**Never felt more like singing the blues - Guy Mitchell.** From the first "pop" album to be played on our new record player! Not pop - pre-rock and roll - I cried. Then listened to it forever. There was nothing else

**Trouble - Elvis.** First album prepared me for school holiday films starring Elvis. Instantly, I discovered the look, the voice and the amazing success with the ladies that I most wanted for many years

**Life on Mars - David Bowie.** From second "pop" record, a Top of the Pops LP. Didn't understand it and didn't like it

**Heart break hotel, Hound dog, Jailhouse Rock - essential Elvis.** Nothing better. I listened to Elvis' Greatest Hits on pink vinyl whilst everyone else struggled through the musical wasteland of the 1980s.

**She loves you - the Beatles.** Incredible vocal for Paul McCartney - could never imitate this. Stuck in a musical time-warp, I moved on from the 50s into the 60s and ultimately became part of a Beatle imitation band called The Shoes. Just as with Elvis, I learnt to sing virtually every song. Then graduated to Queen and then Led Zep, always imitating the vocals sometimes for 2 hours a day - and then became a Christian and lost all interest in secular music for quite a long time! It just left me.

**Don't stand so close to me - the Police.** Ok, they were quite good in the 80s.

**Romeo and Juliet - Dire Straits.** So were they.

**The Lord is my Shepherd - Keith Green.** Very influential on my understanding of God - Christian singer-songwriter - passionately crazy evangelist

**Halo- Beyonce** - best vocalist since, in fact, better vocalist than, Elvis

**Gold Digger - Kanye West** - fantastically exciting song.

**Oh Holy Night - Mariah Carey.** Greatest vocal performance of all time

**Blinded by your grace - Stormzy.** What a fearless brother in the Lord

**Jesus walks - Kanye.** Another fantastic song and ground-breaking at the time