

- a Listen to the song. There is one extra word in each line. Cross it out.

## Wouldn't it be nice

- Wouldn't it be nice if we were ~~much~~ older  
 Then we wouldn't have to wait for so long  
 And wouldn't it be nice to both live together  
 In the kind of world where we really belong  
 5 You know it's going to make it all that much better  
 When we can say goodnight darling and stay together
- Wouldn't it be nice if we could always wake up  
 In the early morning when the day is new  
 And after having spent the whole day together  
 10 Hold each other close the whole long night through  
 Happy times together that we've been spending  
 I wish that every little kiss was never-ending  
 Wouldn't it be very nice
- Maybe if we think and wish and hope and pray it might all  
 come true  
 15 Baby then there wouldn't be a single little thing we  
 couldn't do  
 Maybe we could be married  
 And then we'd be really happy  
 Wouldn't it be so nice
- You know it seems the more we talk about it together  
 20 It only makes it much worse to live without it  
 But let's talk about it now  
 Wouldn't it be really nice



- b Listen again and read the song with the glossary. Do you think the singers are optimistic, pessimistic, or realistic about the future?

### Glossary

- belong = to be part of  
 the whole day = all the day  
 hold = have something in your hand(s) / arms  
 wish = to want something that can't happen now  
 pray = ask God for something  
 a single thing = one thing

### Song facts

*Wouldn't it be nice* was written by Brian Wilson of the American group The Beach Boys, who recorded the song in 1966 on their album *Pet Sounds*. This song, and others on the album, had an important influence on other pop artists, including the Beatles and Pink Floyd. In a UK music magazine, *Pet Sounds* was recently voted the greatest album of all time.