

Text 2

Green Day

- 1 They have won the title "Best Band on the Planet" and got seven prizes at the MTV Video Music Awards. They have sold millions of CDs in the UK alone.
- 5 When they were young, they dropped out of high school. After that, they played many live shows in clubs around California.

- Why are *Green Day* so popular? They always involve their fans in their concerts. They often pull
- 10 kids from the crowd up on stage. Then they sing together!



If you listen to any *Green Day* album you want to start singing their songs with them. Billie Joe explains: "My songs come from the same place that a love song comes from - my heart."

- 15 Their songs are about real problems. They often write songs about being outsiders. Mike talks about his life when he was a teenager: "I don't know how many times someone wanted to hit me for being 'a freak'. Now we are stars and people listen to what we say."

166 words

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Annotations

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| line 5 | to drop out – vorzeitig verlassen |
| line 9 | to involve - einbeziehen |
| line 10 | stage – Bühne |
| line 17 | to hit – hier: verprügeln |