

SOUL MUSIC

Greater Manchester has been home to all kinds of artists through its history – including bands, musicians, and songwriters.

Bury band Elbow won the Mercury Prize in 2008 for their album *The Seldom Seen Kid*.

From **One Day Like This** [songwriter Guy Garvey] on the album **The Seldom Seen Kid**.

“Drinking in the morning sun..

...Someone tell me how I feel
It’s silly wrong, but vivid right
Oh, kiss me like a final meal
Yeah, kiss me like we die tonight...
...Throw those curtains wide
One day like this a year would see me right
for life...”

Activity 4

What would be the perfect song for your perfect day, the “one day that would see you right for life?” What would you be doing while you listened to it? Why is it the perfect song? Why is this the “one day”? Write about it, in any style or genre you please.

Activity 5

Find one or two favourite things – things that to you are nearly perfect – that are in the room with you now or in your house. And write what those things reveal to you. Not reveal about you, reveal to you.

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