

26/5/16 Slagg Brothers Rhythm & Blues, Soul & Grooves Show

Sir Duke	3:52	Stevie Wonder	From 1976 album Songs in the Key of Life. Tribute to Duke Ellington and also refers to Count Basie, Glenn Miller, Louis Armstrong and Ella Fitzgerald.
Backslap	2:33	Baby Earl & The Trinidads	
Billy The Kid	2:25	The Raves	1959. Known as William H. Bonney (1859 – 1881), he was an American Old West gunfighter, known to have killed eight men. Shot by Sheriff Pat Garrett.
Bo Diddley	2:45	Bo Diddley	1955, his first recording and was the first recording to introduce African rhythms into rock and roll directly by using the patted juba beat.
Andy Warhol	3:55	David Bowie	Written by Bowie in 1971 for the album Hunky Dory, an acoustic song about one of his greatest inspirations. Features Mick Ronson on acoustic guitar and percussion.
Eisenhower Blues	3:46	Elvis Costello	Originally recorded in the 50s by J.B. Lenoir. This from 1986 album King of America, recorded in Los Angeles. Dwight D. Eisenhower was President 1953 – 1961
Joan Of Arc (Maid Of Orleans)	4:10	Orchestral Manoeuvres in the Dark	From Architecture & Morality, 1981, the 550th anniversary of Joan of Arc's death. Born a peasant girl in eastern France, and claiming divine guidance, she led the French army to several important victories during the Hundred Years' War.
Einstein A Go-Go	3:00	Landscape	1981. Founded by Richard James Burgess in 1974, playing rock, punk, and jazz. He also produced first two albums by Spandau Ballet and designed the first electronic drumset.
Shakespeare's Sister	2:09	The Smiths	Named after a chapter in Virginia Woolf's 1929 feminism essay, A Room of One's Own. Released in March 1985. The Anglo-American duo Shakespeare's Sister (best known for their 1992 hit "Stay") took their name from this song.
King	4:34	UB40	1980, from debut album Signing Off. About the late Martin Luther King, Jr., questioning the lost direction of the deceased leader's followers and the state of mourning of a nation after his death.
Al Capone	2:57	Prince Buster	1964, when Jamaicans had a fascination with Hollywood films, particularly Gangster and Western films. Capone (1899 – 1947) was an American gangster who attained fame during the Prohibition era.
Nelson Mandela	4:07	Special AKA	After spending 27 years in prison he went on to become president of South Africa from 1994 to 1999. Written by Jerry Dammers and performed by band the Special A.K.A. – with lead vocals by Stan Campbell, 1984.
I Was Kaisers Bill's Batman	2:18	Whistling Jack Smith	Nickname given to Wilhelm II (1859-1941), the last Emperor (Kaiser) of Germany and King of Prussia. 1967, written by Roger Cook and Roger Greenaway who also wrote I'd Like to Teach the World to Sing. Originally called Too Much Birdseed.
So Long, Frank Lloyd Wright	3:45	Simon & Garfunkel	From 1970 album Bridge over Troubled Water. He was recognized in 1991 by the American Institute of Architects as "the greatest American architect of all time". His philosophy was best exemplified by Fallingwater house in Pennsylvania (1935).
Wolfman Jack	2:57	Todd Rundgren	1971, from Rundgren's third solo release Something/Anything? Robert Weston Smith, known as Wolfman Jack (1938 – 1995) was an American DJ.
Faron Young	3:44	Prefab Sprout	Opening track on second album, Steve McQueen, released June 1985. Faron Young was an American country music singer and songwriter from the early 1950s - hits with "Hello Walls" and "It's Four in the Morning"
Levi Stubbs' Tears	3:30	Billy Bragg	First single released from Bragg's 1986 album Talking with the Taxman about Poetry and refers to The Four Tops lead singer, he died in 2008. He also provided the voice of the alien plant in the 1986 comedic horror film Little Shop of Horrors.
When Smokey Sings	4:20	ABC	1987, Alphabet City. Smokey Robinson was in the charts at the same time with One Heartbeat.
Elvis Presley Blues	4:54	Gillian Welch	2001, from her 3rd album Time (The Revelator), with David Rawlings - guitar & vocals. Also covered by Tom Joneson last years Long Lost Suitcase
There's A Guy Works Down The Chip Shop Swears He's Elvis	3:09	Kirsty MacColl	Her first hit single, charting in the UK at #14 in 1981. A US DJ version referenced truck stop as opposed to the very British chip shop.
Der Mussolini	3:55	D.A.F	Deutsch Amerikanische Freundschaft, influential German electropunk band formed in 1978. Benito Amilcare Andrea Mussolini, 1883 – 1945, leader of the National Fascist Party, ruling the country as Prime Minister from 1922 until he was ousted in 1943.
Rasputin	3:42	Boney M	1978, from Nightflight to Venus. A semi-biographical tale about Grigori Rasputin, a friend and advisor of Tsar Nicholas II of Russia and his family during the early 20th century - portrays him as a playboy, mystical healer, and political manipulator.
Gary Gilmore's Eyes	2:15	The Adverts	1977. Gary Mark Gilmore was executed, unusually, by firing squad, in 1977 for the murder of the gas station employee. He donated his corneas for transplant, two people received them within hours of his execution.
I'm In Love With Margaret Thatcher	3:35	Not Sensibles	Released on Snotty Snail label shortly after she became PM in 1979. Meant as neither a pro- nor anti-Thatcher song.
A Fifth Of Beethoven	3:04	Walter Murphy	1976, adapted by Murphy from the first movement of Beethoven's Fifth Symphony. Included on the Saturday Night Fever soundtrack.