Subject: News or Music
Posted by Malfoy on Wed, 08 Aug 2018 04:08:33 GMT
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We use the radio for knowing the latest news or listening to music for relaxation. Which one do you usually use the radio for and why? I use the radio mostly for the music part. I can get my news when I scan the internet.

Subject: Re: News or Music
Posted by Groot on Fri, 10 Aug 2018 08:05:37 GMT
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I use it for both for news and music. The radio station I'm listening to is a news outlet, and they play classical music in-between the news. I dream of having my own radio station.

Subject: Re: News or Music
Posted by Rusty on Fri, 10 Aug 2018 15:19:59 GMT
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I listen to radio mainly in the car. Both music and news. NPR for news and flipping around for any decent music from commercial radio. Which, when I get tired of flipping around for some half arsed decent song I go to NPR. Then I'll retreat to a classical music station when the news and commercial music gets too absurd.

Subject: Re: News or Music
Posted by Kingfish on Wed, 15 Aug 2018 15:54:57 GMT
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I don't like the news, but I will listen to certain talk radio shows that are basically commenting on the news. Their own personal take on it.

Subject: Re: News or Music
Posted by Pato on Fri, 26 Oct 2018 20:40:19 GMT
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I barely ever listen to radio, but when I do I would rather listen to music. I can get both music and news from the internet and other sources; but for the music, radio plays a lot of songs that I like but had forgotten about. When I play music from the internet, I tend to repeat a lot of songs, but the radio plays many songs outside of what I normally listen to, but still enjoy.

Subject: Re: News or Music
Posted by Groot on Mon, 05 Nov 2018 07:49:49 GMT
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Pato is correct about radio stations playing the music that we like, even the ones we haven't heard for a long time. I just don't like radio commentators that talk about nonsense.

Subject: Re: News or Music
Posted by Lost the Remote on Wed, 07 Nov 2018 21:48:34 GMT
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I listen to a few talk radio shows. It allows me to make the most of my commute by learning something new that's still entertaining enough to keep me from zoning out in traffic.

Subject: Re: News or Music
Posted by Augustus on Wed, 03 Apr 2019 06:17:04 GMT
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I usually only listen to the radio while driving. I enjoy some talk radio programs like The Tech Guy, but I often avoid the news while driving just because it makes me anxious. It's become too political and polarizing.

Subject: Re: News or Music
Posted by gofar99 on Wed, 03 Apr 2019 23:10:40 GMT
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Hi Just music via satellite in both car and home. For news the TV gets the nod ...once a day after dinner. I can't take any more than that as most is slanted in one direction or another. If I'm at my PC for any long period I will check the main (NBC, CBS, ABC,MSN) news feeds. Still often slanted, but at least I can pick and choose what to look at.

Subject: Re: News or Music
Posted by TheWanderer on Wed, 24 Apr 2019 04:58:47 GMT
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I mainly listen to music but enjoy listening to talk radio now and again if the subject matter is interesting enough. I particularly enjoy the call-in portions of the show. The callers are rather...eccentric!

Subject: Re: News or Music

Posted by sawyer25 on Sat, 27 Apr 2019 19:14:59 GMT
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Radio has transitioned over time and listeners now have the option of listening to what they want to, be it music, news or the latest trends in entertainment. I tune in it to listen to music because it is now easier to get updated on current events, through the internet.

Subject: Re: News or Music
Posted by JordanS on Sat, 19 Oct 2019 00:15:13 GMT
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Music all the way. My second choice would be sports! I never listen to the news on the radio. I read it online or watch a newscast on TV. When I'm in the car, I want music!

Subject: Re: News or Music
Posted by noodle on Tue, 08 Jun 2021 03:48:25 GMT
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I still like checking out what local stations are up to while I drive. I don't hear much news, except for what happens to pop up on public radio stations. Reception in my area's shaky.

Subject: Re: News or Music
Posted by Mulcahy on Wed, 09 Jun 2021 05:35:02 GMT
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Mentioned this elsewhere, but I enjoy finding out what the college stations around me are broadcasting. I also like doing a run-through of stations when I travel to different states.

Subject: Re: News or Music
Posted by Patrick69 on Tue, 15 Jun 2021 01:25:45 GMT
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I do both. I listen to the news on the radio but I also listen to music. It just depends on my mood. I hardly ever listen to local stations. I'm either listening to Pandora or Sirius.

Subject: Re: News or Music
Posted by Mica on Tue, 15 Jun 2021 23:55:06 GMT
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Interesting, college stations. That is something I would never have thought of. What do they broadcast? I can't say that I ever listened to one before.

I listen to music.

Subject: Re: News or Music
Posted by Mulcahy on Wed, 16 Jun 2021 01:38:09 GMT
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Depends on the DJ, but the college stations around here go out of their way to play non-Billboard tracks. Some of the programming can be really specific, like only Irish music on Sunday mornings. Local news reports get broadcast, too.

Subject: Re: News or Music
Posted by Phonetic Ear on Sun, 26 Sep 2021 11:04:52 GMT
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I mostly listen to it for the news but whichever plays is fine with me. I find it nice listening to it in the morning and seeing what's up with the world.

Subject: Re: News or Music
Posted by Acacia on Sun, 03 Oct 2021 07:59:05 GMT
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I listen to the radio for its music because the radio hosts are entertaining too. As for the news, I prefer the television since it gives me a better illustration of what's happening. I wouldn't understand it as much if I only listened to it from the radio.

Subject: Re: News or Music
Posted by Curry on Wed, 13 Jul 2022 04:23:35 GMT
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I don't listen to the radio much because other sources supply my music. Alerts from my phone and chatting with people are all the news I get. The walkman radio used to be good when I still fancied carrying things around, but nowadays I want to go undistracted.

Subject: Re: News or Music
Posted by Wayne Parham on Fri, 02 Dec 2022 00:15:45 GMT
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Can't believe I missed this thread. 'Cause radio is a "calm passion" of mine and has been for years.

I say "calm passion" because I was never as obsessive about radio as I was about other stuff - like cars, computers and hifi - but I've always been fascinated by radio, especially shortwave and AM. I like it for its communications aspect more than for its entertainment and commercial uses.

But I say "communications" somewhat vaguely, in that there is definitely a blend of entertainment and maybe (probably) even propaganda mixed in there. I'm talking about talk radio as it was in its youth, when it was used for communications for ships and planes as well as for things like shortwave broadcasts and the kinds of radio programs that were popular before television. So you see what I mean when I say "a blend of entertainment and propaganda" in addition to communications. "Talk radio" is part news, part entertainment, part propaganda, part documentary and part communications. It spans the gamut of intellectual pursuits.

Podcasts are very much like this format.

I like FM radio too, but mostly just as background music while driving. I usually take my own media in cars - be it cassette, CD or flash memory puck (depending on the car) - but sometimes listen to music on the radio. Usually if Kelly is in the car, we're listening to music, and if we don't have "our own" playlist music on media of some sort, then we listen to music radio on the FM band.

Subject: Re: News or Music
Posted by Becky on Thu, 16 Oct 2025 10:45:01 GMT
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I sold my dad's radio some years ago because I can't use it for anything. I stream my music from my phone and then browse the internet for any updates I wanted. Using radio was not what I fashioned.

Subject: Re: News or Music
Posted by Becky on Fri, 24 Oct 2025 16:25:34 GMT
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TheWanderer wrote on Tue, 23 April 2019 23:58I mainly listen to music but enjoy listening to talk radio now and again if the subject matter is interesting enough. I particularly enjoy the call-in portions of the show. The callers are rather...eccentric!
I'm interested in listening to music too. I can only listen to talk radio when I started finding the music boring, sticking to the end of the talk show if the subject matter is very interesting and light. Sometimes, the call-in portions wasn't in my list at all.

Subject: Re: News or Music
Posted by Clint on Tue, 09 Jun 2026 13:07:27 GMT

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It's the same here. I have a music studio that I handle, so most of the time, I tune into radio stations seeking new songs and for mixing ideas.

Whenever I am not playing any of my mixtapes, I tune into Z100 station or Power 106 for both old and current hip hop jams.

That's how I relax and bond with artists who visit my studio when we are done working and need to chill. If I want to know what's up around the country, I've got CNN and other news websites to check, and I do that mostly at night when I am not sleeping over at the studio.

Subject: Re: News or Music
Posted by Bercle on Thu, 06 Aug 2026 04:35:22 GMT
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I still use radio stations as a source of news. If I have any FM station on, I don’t switch it off because it is a news programme that they are doing. I would rather focus more on hearing what is also happening in the global economy.