Musician Noel Gallagher Talks About His New Album

Noel Gallagher is an English singer, songwriter and musician. He is most famous for being the former lead songwriter in the British rock band Oasis until they famously split in 2009. After Oasis, he launched a solo career as "Noel Gallagher's High Flying Birds". He is considered to be one of the most successful songwriters in British music history. He was born in Manchester in North-West England and speaks with a Manchester accent, otherwise known as a Mancunian or 'Manc' accent.

The interview is from a radio broadcast on Radio X. Noel also talks about the possibility of reforming his former band Oasis, a topic which is often discussed in British music media.

Watch the video in the link below, and answer the questions with as much information as possible.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2DISV06OFpk

Colloquial Vocabulary to check before answering the questions:

an occupational hazard - a danger or risk experienced with a specific job.
to infuse - to spread through something (often used in cooking or medicine).
larger than life - If someone is larger than life, they attract a lot of attention because they are more exciting or unusual than most people.
quid - An informal term for the British pound sterling.

1. **(00:00-00:18)** Why does the interviewer apologise at the end of his introduction, and who is he apologising to?

2. **(00:18-00:37)** When did Noel write his new album, and what does the interviewer then ask about it?

3. **(00:37-01:07)** What are Noel's exact words in these 30 seconds?

4. **(01:11-01:17)** What does the interviewer suggest about this period in which Noel Gallagher wrote the album?

5. **(01:17-01:30)** What does Noel Gallagher say about artists and writers during the lockdown period?

6. **(01:30-01:39)** Why did Noel Gallagher have to rewrite some of the lyrics, and when did he do this?

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7. **(01:39-02:02)** What is the general mood of the album, and what song title embodies this mood?

8. **(02:02-02:22)** What did Noel Gallagher do during lockdown, and what joke is made about 'the bad days'?

9. **(02:22-03:14)** Which types of venue is Noel Gallagher uncomfortable performing in and why?

10. **(03:14-03:31)** What do you think that the interviewer is suggesting here about the experience of watching a live music gig or concert?

11. **(03:31-04:04)** What responsibility does the performer have at a concert?

12. **(04:04-04:28)** What does an Adidas bag have in connection with a potential reunion of Noel's former band Oasis?