

## ENTERTAINMENT NEWS



# PICS OF THE WEEK

**TAYLOR Swift** has given fans a glimpse of her childhood in the video for her new single, *Christmas Tree Farm*.

Taylor grew up on a Christmas tree farm called Pine Ridge Farm, which was the inspiration for her new single.

The video features footage filmed by her parents during her childhood Christmases. They looked super-snowy!

Taylor only penned the new single on 1 December but headed straight into the studio to record it, releasing it just five days later.

The festive tune is out now.



## 25 YEARS OF PLAYSTATION!

**THIS week, PlayStation turned 25!**

The first ever PlayStation (right) was released on 3 December 1994.

It sold 100,000 consoles on the first day it was released in Japan, then went on to sell more than 100 million globally.

The president of Sony Interactive Entertainment said of the anniversary: "It's truly humbling to see fans who grew up on PlayStation passing down their love of gaming to their children, who are now playing on PS4. "On behalf of all of us at PlayStation, thank you for taking this journey with us. We can't wait to celebrate what comes next with you!"

The next PlayStation, the PS5, is due out next year.

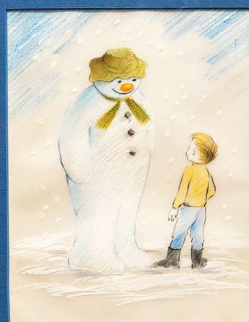


### ORGANISE A WEDDING

*Marrying Mum & Dad* is coming back to CBBC and its makers are looking for 8 to 14-year-olds to take part. The TV show, in which kids arrange their parents' special day, is looking for brave adults who are happy to let their kids take control! You can find out more at [bbc.co.uk/cbbc/curations/be-on-a-show](http://bbc.co.uk/cbbc/curations/be-on-a-show).

### SNOWMAN SALE

An original cel (single frame of an animation) from Christmas classic *The Snowman* has been found. It was sold by Hansons auctioneers for £800. The film will be shown on Channel 4 several times over the holidays.



Hansons

### STORMZY IN SECOND

Six-year-old Lyra Cole knocked Stormzy off the Amazon download chart top spot. Her song, a cover of *When A Child Is Born*, is raising money for Brain Tumour Research, which helped her survive a brain tumour as a baby.

### BATMAN COSTUMES

Costumes from the original 1960s *Batman* TV series are being auctioned in Los Angeles on 17 December. They are expected to raise £155,000!



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## GLOSSARY

**Stormzy** – A British singer and songwriter most famous for a type of rap called grime

**Amazon download chart** – A list of the most popular songs bought on the shopping website Amazon and downloaded to a computer or gadget

**tumour** – A growth in the body that is not supposed to be there, and that can cause serious illness

**animation** – Moving images created from drawings or models that are photographed or made on a computer

**auctioneers** – Companies that sell things at auction (where items are sold to the person who offers the most money)

**consoles** – Electronic gadgets that plug in to the TV and play computer games

1. Search for the answers to this entertainment scavenger hunt. Can you find...

**two songs, three singers, one console, two TV programmes, one film?**

2. Of the entertainment that you found, list **three** that you can enjoy over the Christmas holidays.

3. What is the link between the stories 'Snowman sale' and 'Batman costumes'?

■ Look at the story '**Stormzy in second**'.

4. Lyra Cole is only six, but she is having a very eventful life. What remarkable event happened to her?

**When she was a baby:**

**Right now:**

■ Look at the story '**Organise a wedding**'.

5. The producers of this show have quite specific requirements. Can you fill in the details of the exact people they are looking for?

<b>Children</b>	Must be:
<b>Adults</b>	Must be:
<b>Family</b>	The two adults must <b>not</b> be:

■ Look at the story about the new Taylor Swift song.

6. Can you find the words used in the article?

<b>The word's meaning:</b>	<b>The word used:</b>
<b>Wrote</b>	
<b>To do with a festival</b>	
<b>The idea behind something</b>	
<b>A brief view</b>	
<b>A length of film</b>	

7. What do you know about Taylor Swift's new song? Match the two halves of each sentence correctly.

<b>It is called...</b>
<b>It was inspired by a place called...</b>
<b>The video includes...</b>
<b>It was written on...</b>
<b>It was written, recorded and released in just...</b>

1 December 2019.
video of Taylor as a child.
Pine Ridge Farm.
five days.
Christmas Tree Farm.

■ Look at the article about PlayStation.

8. What information tells you that the PlayStation was, and is, a great success?

9. Look at the quote from the president of Sony Entertainment. What feelings does the president have on the 25th anniversary?

■ Consider all the news.

10. Imagine you wanted to divide the Entertainment page into three or four sections. What headings would you choose? All the stories need to be placed under one of the headings. Would your sections work for a completely different set of news next week?