

The Life and Career of Asha Bhosle

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1. What was Asha Bhosle's birth name?

- A) Ashalata Ganpat Bhosale
- B) Asha Dinanath Mangeshkar
- C) Ashalata Dinanath Mangeshkar
- D) Asha Ganpat Bhosale

2. In what year was Asha Bhosle born?

- A) 1926
- B) 1933
- C) 1940
- D) 1945

3. Asha Bhosle was described as one of the greatest and most influential singers in which cinema industry?

- A) Bengali Cinema
- B) Tamil Cinema
- C) Hindi Cinema
- D) Marathi Cinema

4. Which award, considered India's highest in the field of cinema, was Asha Bhosle honored with in 2000?

- A) Padma Vibhushan
- B) Filmfare Lifetime Achievement Award
- C) Dadasaheb Phalke Award
- D) National Film Award

5. In 2008, Asha Bhosle was honored by the Government of India with the Padma Vibhushan, which is the second-highest civilian honor of the country. True or False?

- A) True
- B) False

6. The Guinness Book of World Records acknowledged Asha Bhosle in 2011 as the most recorded artist in music history. True or False?

- A) False
- B) True

7. Who is Asha Bhosle's elder sister, also a renowned playback singer?

- A) Usha Mangeshkar
- B) Meena Mangeshkar
- C) Lata Mangeshkar
- D) Hridaynath Mangeshkar

8. Which of the following genres was NOT part of Asha Bhosle's musical work?

- A) Ghazals
- B) Rock and Roll
- C) Rabindra Sangeet
- D) Opera

9. In which year did Asha Bhosle make her acting debut in the film 'Mai'?

- A) 2006
- B) 2013
- C) 2011
- D) 2015

10. Asha Bhosle stated she had recorded over how many songs in her career by 2006?

- A) 6,000
- B) 8,000
- C) 10,000
- D) 12,000

11. Where was Asha Dinanath Mangeshkar born?

- A) Sangli
- B) Pune
- C) Kolhapur
- D) Mumbai

12. Who was Asha Bhosle's father, a Marathi and Konkani actor and classical singer?

- A) Pandit Ravi Shankar
- B) Pandit Deenanath Mangeshkar
- C) Pandit Bhimsen Joshi
- D) Pandit Jasraj

13. What was the title of Asha Bhosle's first film song for the Marathi film 'Majha Bal' (1943)?

- A) Saawan Aaya
- B) Chala Chala Nav Bala
- C) Pokhiraj Ghora
- D) Mera Kuch Saaman

14. Who composed the music for Asha Bhosle's first film song, 'Chala Chala Nav Bala'?

- A) R. D. Burman
- B) O. P. Nayyar
- C) Datta Davjekar
- D) A. R. Rahman

15. Asha Bhosle made her Hindi film debut by singing the song "Saawan Aaya" for which film in 1948?

- A) Chunariya
- B) Andhon Ki Duniya
- C) Raat Ki Rani
- D) Majha Bal

16. Who were the two Western artists cited by Asha Bhosle as influences for embracing Western music style?

- A) The Beatles and Elvis Presley
- B) Elvis Presley and Bill Haley
- C) Bill Haley and Chuck Berry
- D) Buddy Holly and Little Richard

17. Which music director is credited with transforming Bhosle's status from roles in 'vampish' characters to that of a heroine?

- A) R. D. Burman
- B) Khayyam
- C) O. P. Nayyar
- D) Sachin Dev Burman

18. In which film did Asha Bhosle first achieve significant success with the song "Naya Daur"?

- A) Sangdil
- B) Parineeta
- C) Boot Polish
- D) Naya Daur

19. Who was the leading actor in the film 'Teesri Manzil' whose duet performances with Asha Bhosle won popular acclaim?

- A) Raj Kapoor
- B) Shammi Kapoor
- C) Dev Anand
- D) Dharmendra

20. For which actress was Asha Bhosle often the singing voice during the 1960s and 70s, particularly for cabaret numbers?

- A) Hema Malini
- B) Rekha
- C) Helen
- D) Sridevi

21. Which film's ghazals, including 'Dil Cheez Kya Hai', won Asha Bhosle her first National Film Award?

- A) Ijaazat
- B) Umrao Jaan
- C) Caravan
- D) Don