

InterCultural English - Hip Hop

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 - What is Hip Hop?
 - Common misunderstandings
 - Definition
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Why Hip Hop?

- 1 Many misunderstandings
- 2 Negative image because of 1
- 3 Why not?



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- Euphemism for Gangsters with bad childhood?
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Krs1 sums it up:

Definition

”Rap is what you do, Hip Hop is what you live”



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Back in the days: DJing

- 1972: "Kool DJ Herc" does the first loops
- 1976: "DJ Grand Wizard Theodore" does the first scratches
- DJs generally shout their own and good friend's names to the public



MCing (1)

- MC = Masters of Ceremony
- Originally praising the DJ and animating the crowd
- No clear date of birth, somewhen in the 70ies
- No music of the very beginning bequeathed
- Freestyling
- Beatboxing

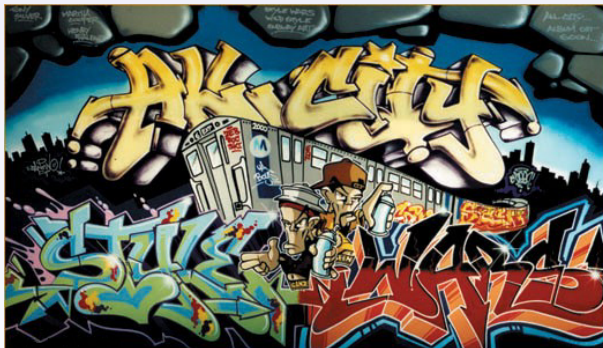


MCing (2) - timeline

- 1979: First disc with Rap
- 1980: First Hip Hop album
- 1980's: More and more political Hip Hop, first Synthesizers
- 1986: First "all-white" group: Beastie Boys



Graffiti



- Evolved very much during the seventies
- Used by political activists to make statements,
- Street gangs to mark territory



Breaking

- Most probably connected to capoeira
- Became popular all over the world through MTV
- Examples for popular breakers:
 - The Furious Five
 - Rock Steady Crew
 - Zulu Nation



Other facts

- The Hip-Hop Class: The Study of Hip-Hop Art and Culture (Oakland)
- Documentation about the "Sampling Sport":
<http://copyrightcriminals.com/>
- BBC documentation about the history of Hip Hop
- Plenty of Interviews and documentation from Davey D



Questions

Any questions?

