

Task 12: Read the transcript

So what makes Manchester such a modern city today? As a result of all its prosperity, Manchester has a thriving leisure industry. It is especially famous for music. You can see visit concert venues that present live music ranging from classical to pop music. Famous pop bands include The Smiths, Elbow, The Stone Roses and Oasis.

Manchester also has many centres of world-class sport, such as cycling. However, Manchester is most famous for football. In Manchester you can see the best and most famous teams from all over the world.

Manchester is now a thriving centre of Education. The Royal Northern College of Music is a conservatoire. In addition to being a centre of classical music education, it is one of the UK's busiest and most diverse public performance venues.

Manchester also boasts two universities both of which trace their origins to the Manchester Mechanics' Institute. Manchester Metropolitan University is home to the School of Art and Design where many famous artists and designers have studied. The University of Manchester is most famous for its extensive scientific research and includes the Manchester University Hospital and Jodrell Bank Observatory.

Students are the future of a modern Manchester and an integral part of the young vibrant cosmopolitan Manchester that you see today.