

# Ten Moments Of Pop Genius That Defined The 80s

The 1980s were a golden age for pop music, with a string of iconic hits that continue to define the genre today. From the synth-pop of Eurythmics to the power ballads of Whitney Houston, these ten moments of pop genius helped to shape the sound of the 80s and beyond.



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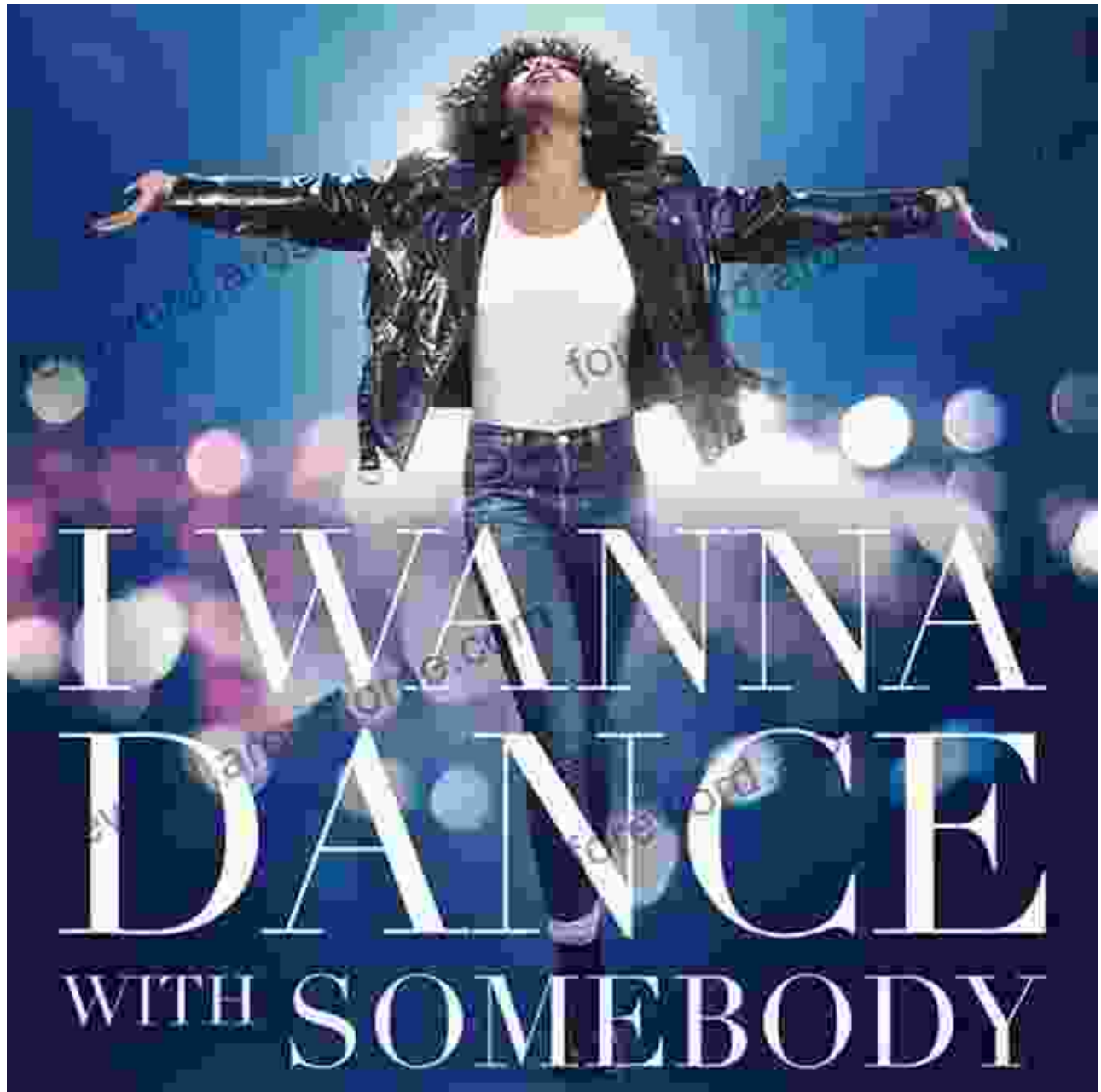


## 1. Sweet Dreams (Are Made Of This) - Eurythmics (1983)



Eurythmics' "Sweet Dreams (Are Made Of This)" is one of the most iconic songs of the 1980s. The song's haunting melody and Annie Lennox's powerful vocals helped to make it a global hit, and it remains one of the most beloved songs of all time.

## **2. I Wanna Dance With Somebody - Whitney Houston (1987)**



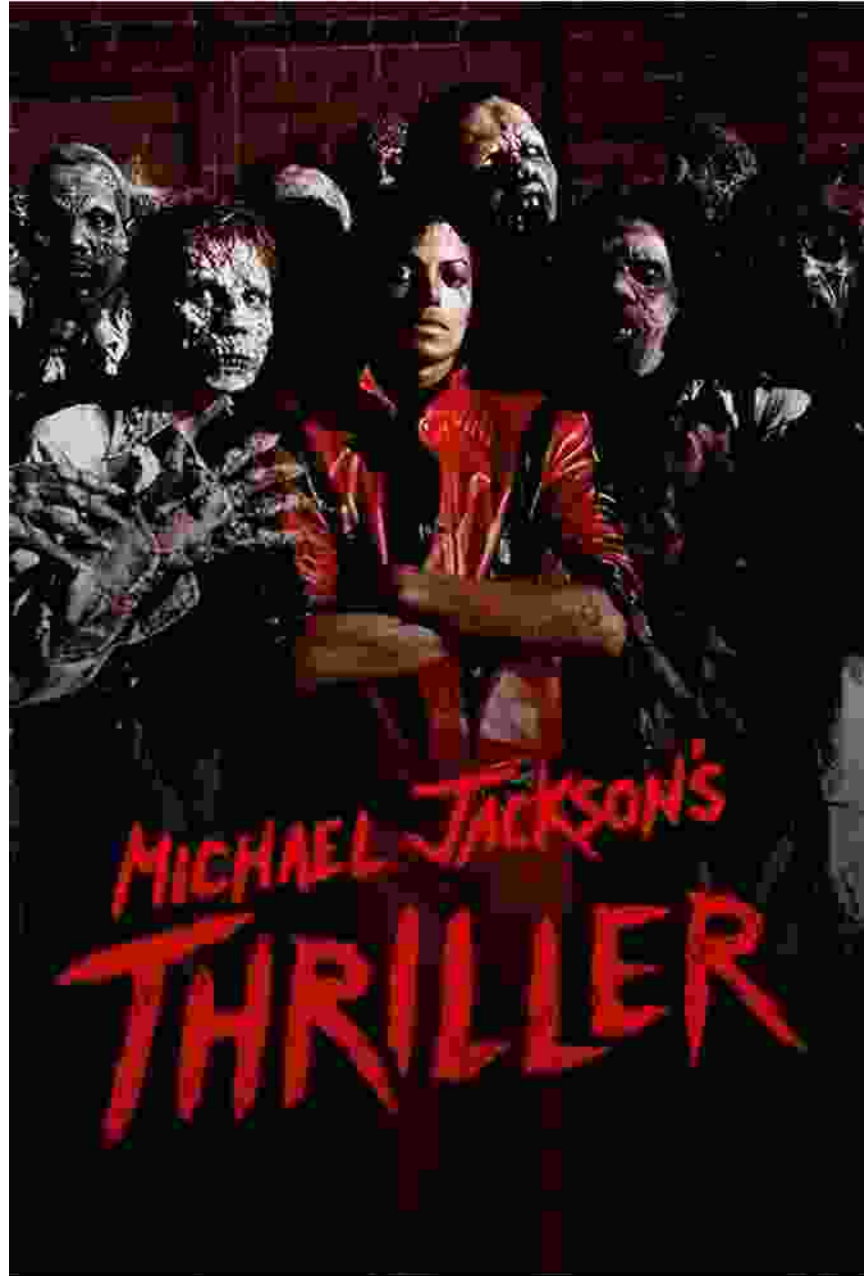
Whitney Houston's "I Wanna Dance With Somebody" is a timeless classic that has become one of the most popular songs of all time. The song's infectious melody and Houston's soaring vocals make it a perfect anthem for dancing and celebrating.

### **3. Like A Prayer - Madonna (1989)**



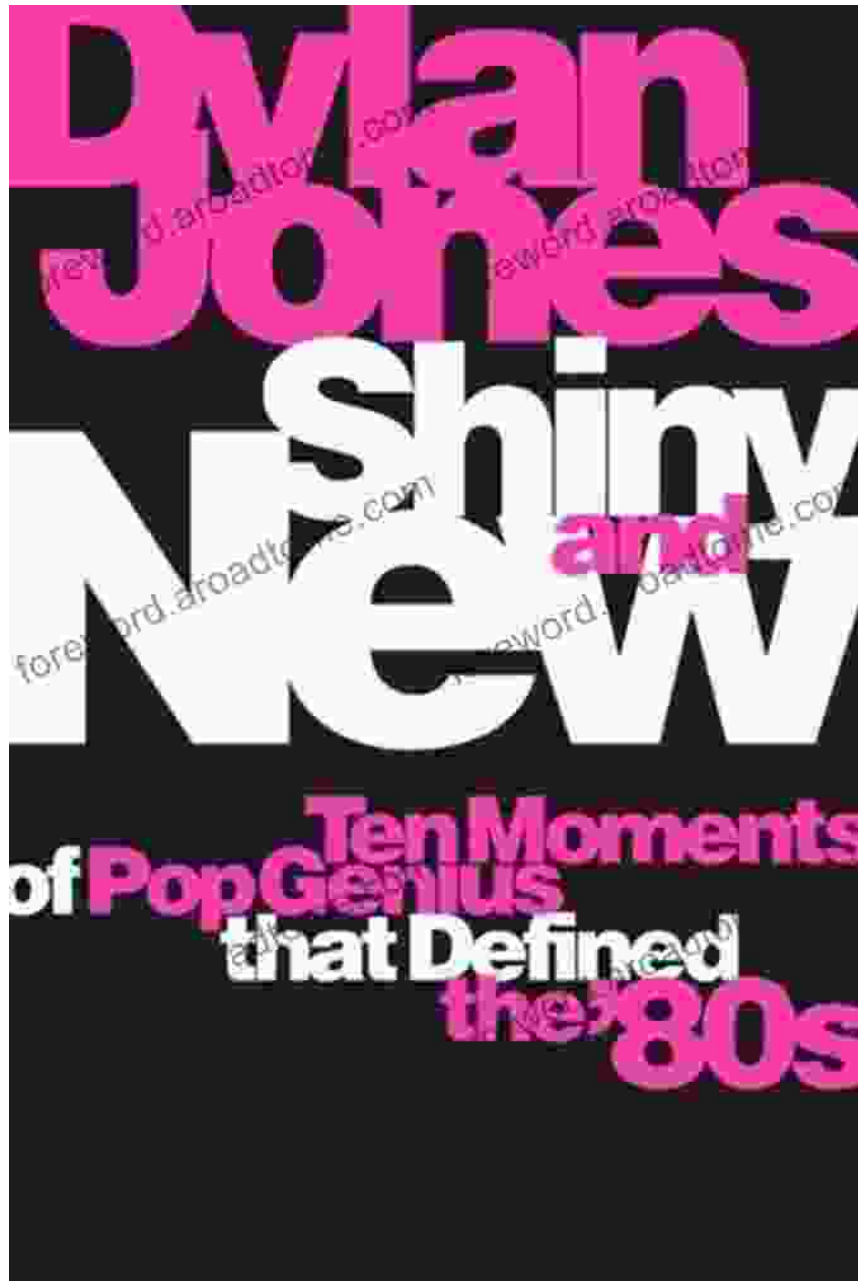
Madonna's "Like A Prayer" was a groundbreaking song that pushed the boundaries of pop music. The song's controversial lyrics and music video caused a lot of controversy, but it also helped to make Madonna one of the most iconic pop stars of all time.

#### **4. Thriller - Michael Jackson (1982)**



Michael Jackson's "Thriller" is the best-selling album of all time, and it is one of the most iconic pop albums ever made. The album's title track is a classic horror-themed song that has become one of the most recognizable songs in the world.

#### **5. Purple Rain - Prince (1984)**



Prince's "Purple Rain" is a masterpiece of pop music. The song's epic melody and Prince's soaring vocals make it one of the most powerful and moving songs ever recorded.

## **6. Born In The U.S.A. - Bruce Springsteen (1984)**



Bruce Springsteen's "Born In The U.S.A." is a classic rock anthem that has become one of the most popular songs of all time. The song's powerful lyrics and Springsteen's passionate vocals make it a perfect anthem for the working class.

#### **7. Uptown Girl - Billy Joel (1983)**



Billy Joel's "Uptown Girl" is a timeless love song that has become one of the most popular songs of all time. The song's catchy melody and Joel's heartfelt vocals make it a perfect anthem for romance.

#### **8. I'm Still Standing - Elton John (1983)**





Elton John's "I'm Still Standing" is a defiant anthem that has become one of the most popular songs of all time. The song's catchy melody and John's powerful vocals make it a perfect anthem for overcoming adversity.

### **9. Let's Dance - David Bowie (1983)**



David Bowie's "Let's Dance" is a classic dance song that has become one of the most popular songs of all time. The song's infectious melody and Bowie's unique vocals make it a perfect anthem for dancing and celebrating.

#### **10. Karma Chameleon - Culture Club (1983)**



Culture Club's "Karma Chameleon" is a catchy pop song that became one of the biggest hits of the 1980s. The song's unique melody and Boy George's distinctive vocals make it a perfect anthem for the dance floor.

These are just a few of the many moments of pop genius that defined the 1980s. These songs continue to be popular today, and they remind us of the golden age of pop music.



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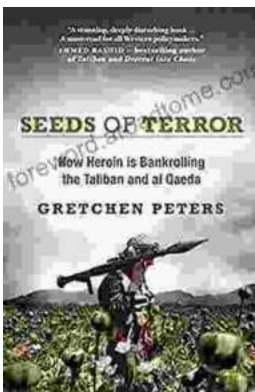
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