



In the book, Chester Cricket learns to play Italian folk songs, hymns and Opera. Mr. Smedley write a letter to the editor of the NY Times to tell the people of New York all about this amazing cricket.



Listen to some of the songs that Chester plays by clicking on the links at rowaytonpta.org/rowayton-rocks-reading. (insert links for Lucia di Lammermoor, Aida, Rock of Ages). Write your own letter to the editor to tell readers about what you heard.

Possible things to include:



- What was the music you listened to?
- How did it make you feel?
- Did you like it? What was your favorite and why?
- Did it matter that you couldn't understand the lyrics in some cases?
- How do you think seeing it performed live might be different than listening to it?

