

WORD ON WEALTH STREET

What song sums up 2017?

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From 1950s musical numbers to this year's synth-pop releases, our readers tell us which songs they think best represented 2017.

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Happy Talk by Captain Sensible

'Many moons ago we seemed to dance forever to *Happy Talk* in the shadows of Scotland's glens. Originally a number from a 1950s musical, it soared into the pop charts after Captain Sensible introduced it to a new generation some 30 years later. Yet the song has stayed with me throughout – rain or shine, bear or bull market.

'In a testing year for wealth managers, it helped me to look past the many mood swings that made for a roller-coaster 2017 – as it did during the dark days following the great financial crisis. No doubt, I will continue to reach for it to keep a level-head in good times and bad. Thank you Captain (or really Rodgers & Hammerstein) for a simple and inspiring song.' ●