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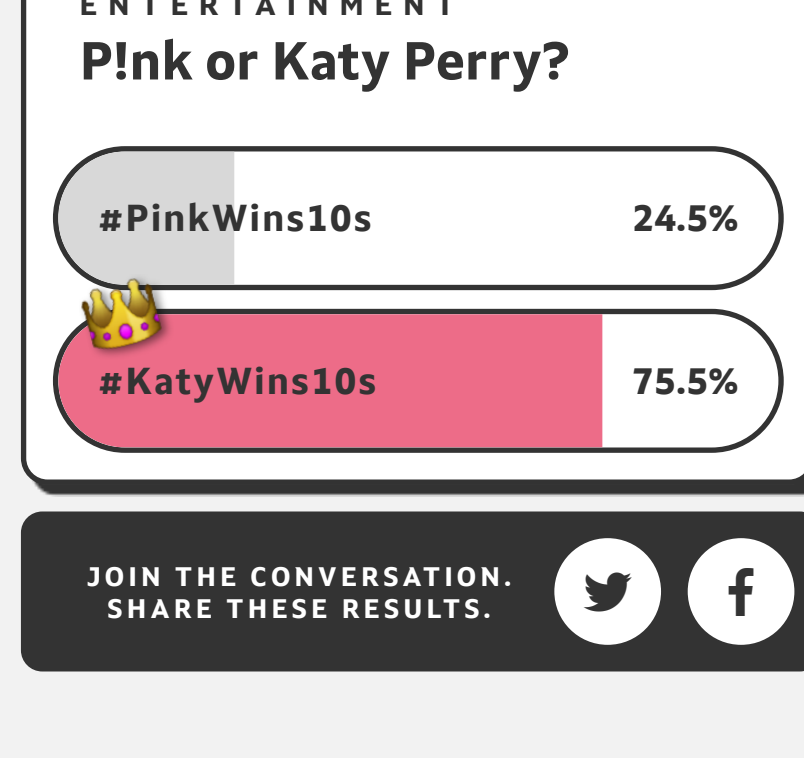
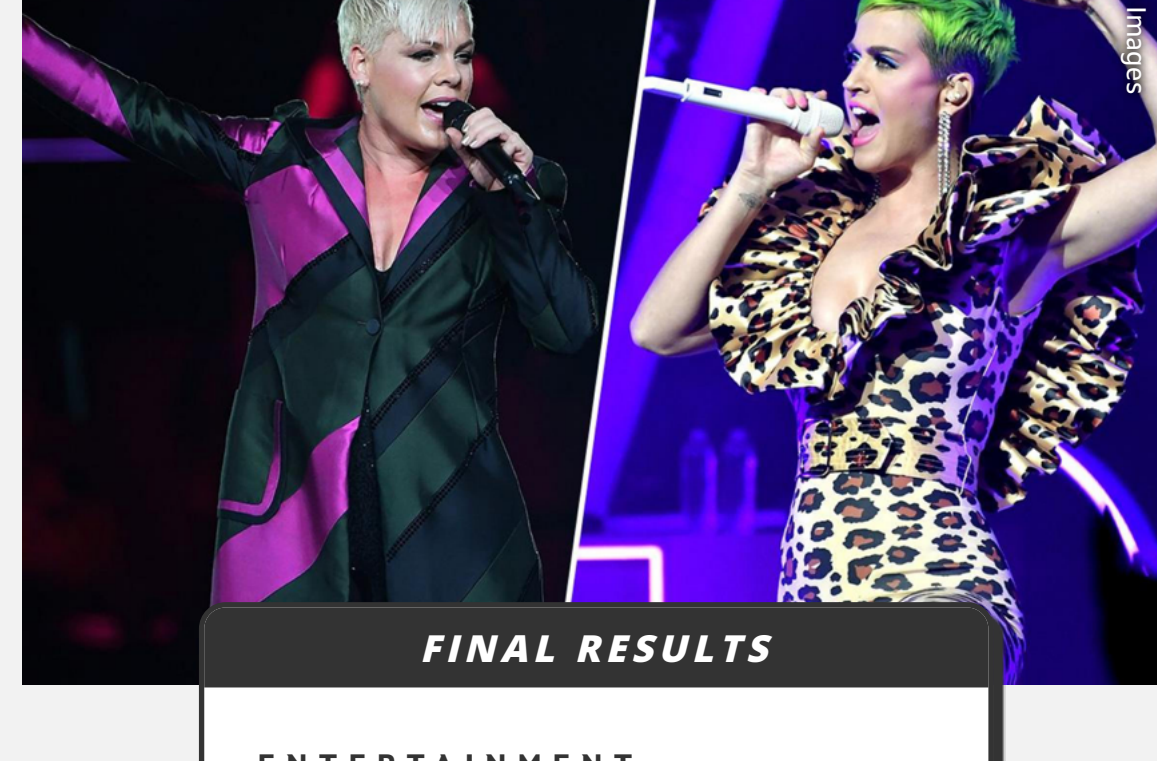
The 2010s have been another defining era for music. Social media has helped many artists build a following, and fandoms are mobilizing like never before! Now, EDM, alternative R&B and trap music are among the most popular sub-genres. While the longevity of a few artists carried over from the '00s, the '10s have produced a plethora of pop stars who rose to prominence earlier in the decade, left their permanent mark on pop culture and reached icon status. Enter the Pop Icon of the '10s bracket. Vote below!

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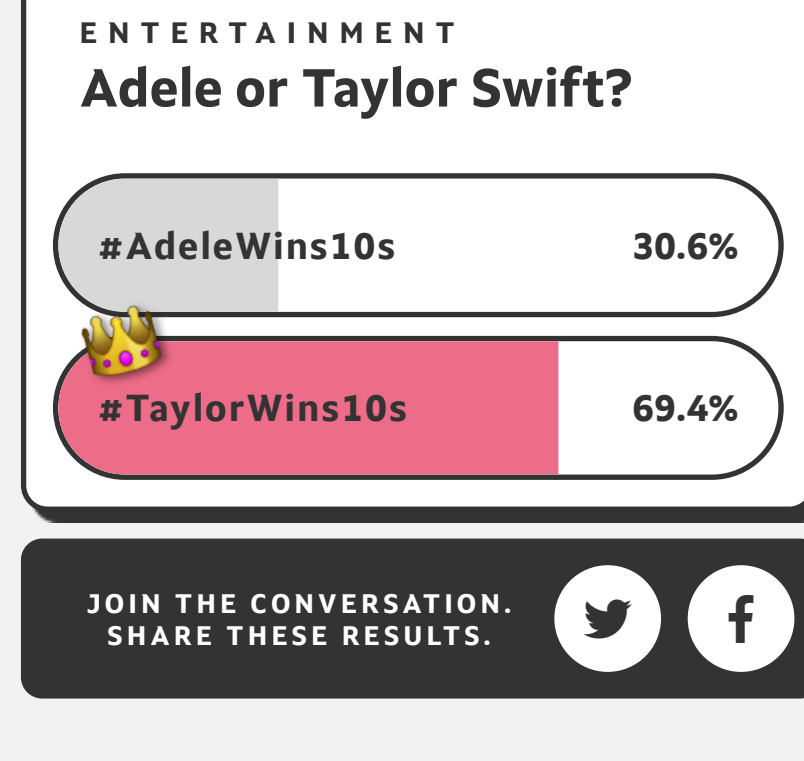
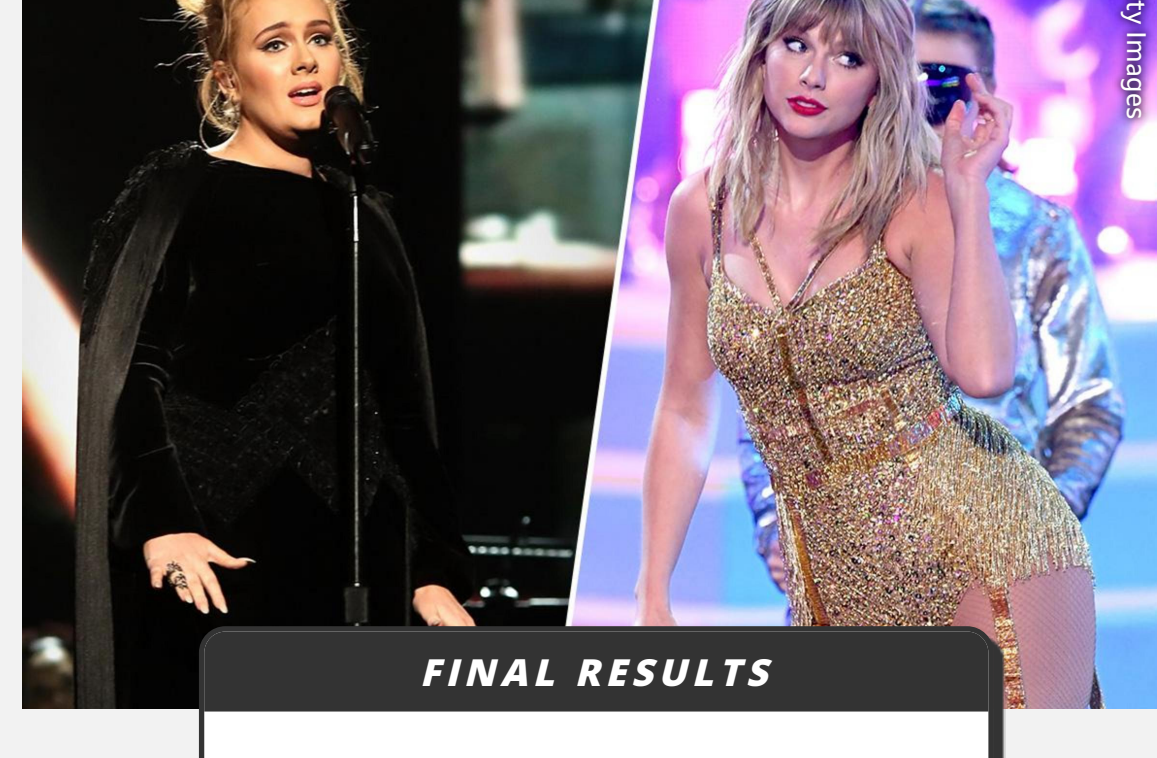
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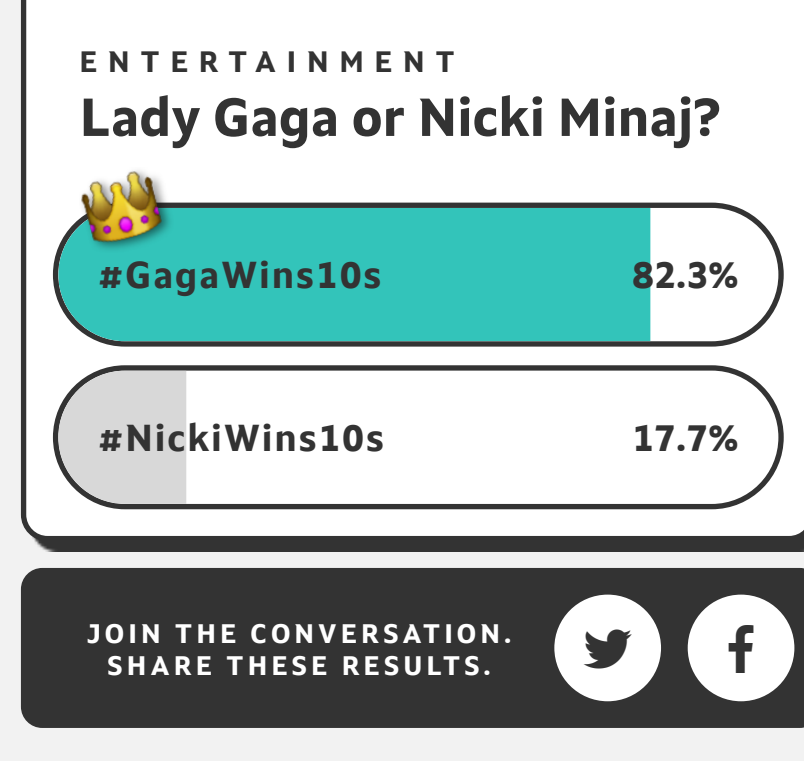
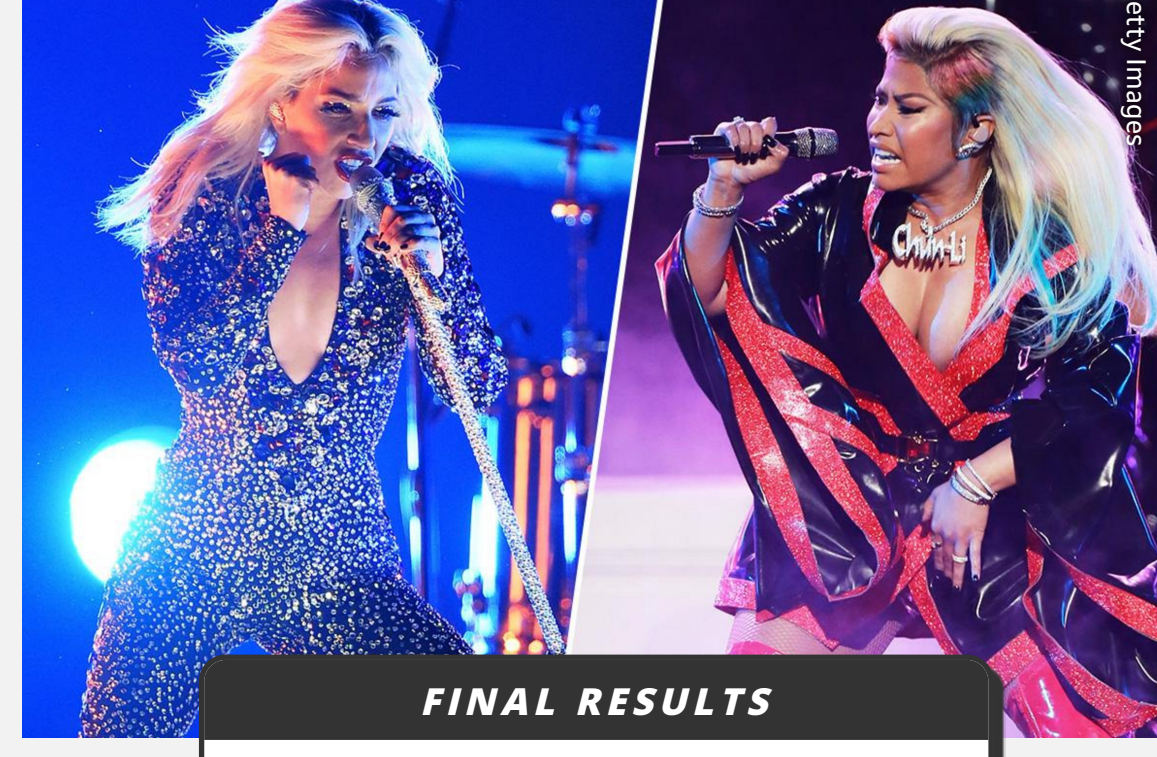
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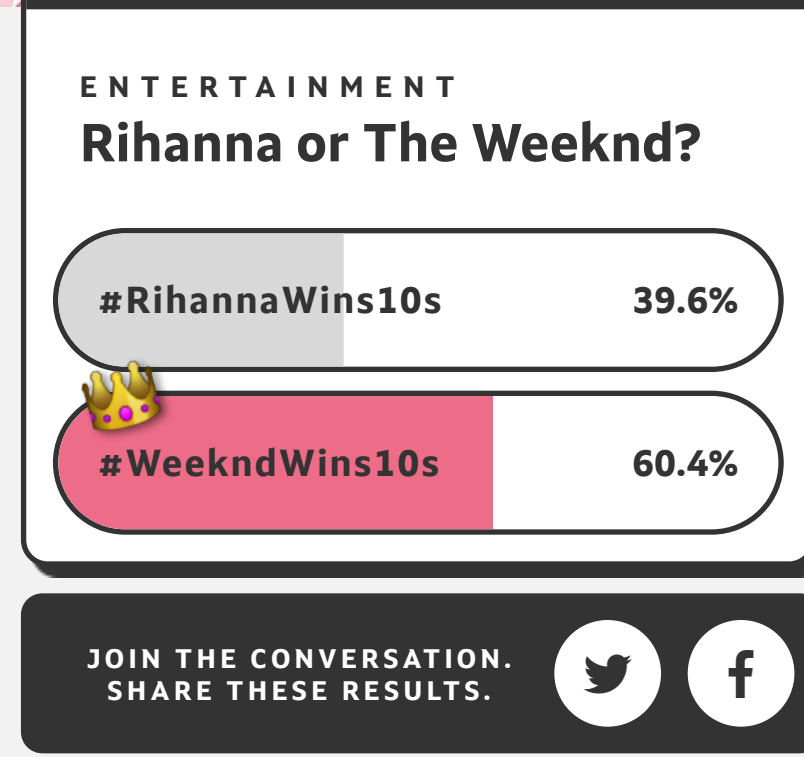
Pink gained three #1 albums, two chart-topping Hot 100 anthems and continued to deliver acrobatic concerts throughout the decade. Katy Perry's sophomore album "Teenage Dream" alone brought in five #1 Billboard Hot 100 hits—tying her with Michael Jackson's "Bad" record for the most #1s from a single album.



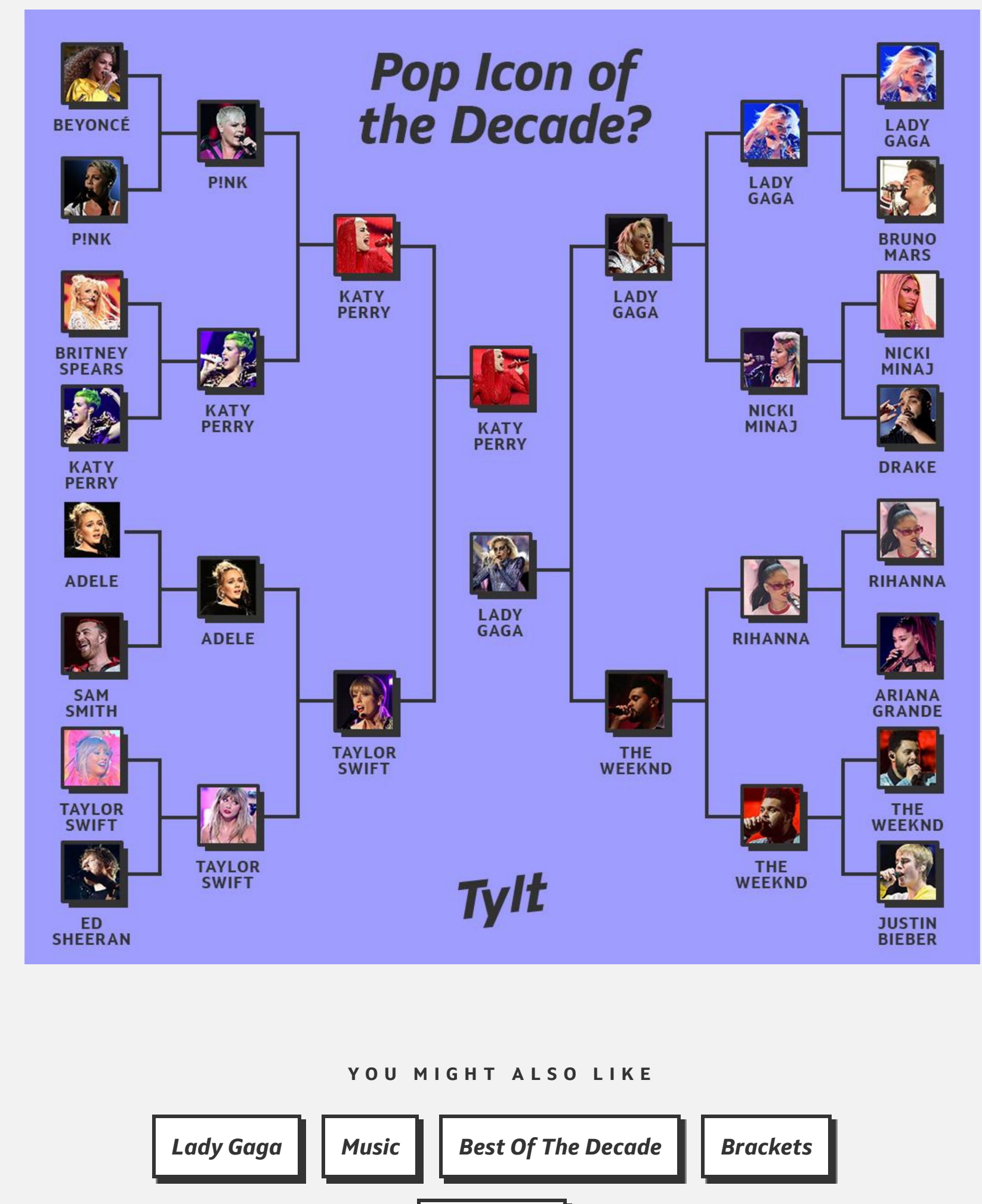
Adele not only gained one, but two diamond-selling LPs with "21" and "25," and has won the top three Grammy honors twice in 2012 and 2017. After five chart-topping LPs and winning Album of the Year for "1989" in 2016, Swift is being honored with Artist of the Decade at the 2019 American Music Awards.



Lady Gaga kicked-off the decade as one of the world's biggest pop stars before going on to be nominated for Best Actress and to win Best Original Song at the 2019 Oscars for "A Star Is Born." Nicki Minaj is the best-selling female rapper of all time, dropping four albums (two of which topped the Billboard 200) and countless features in the '10s.



While Rihanna has been on hiatus from music, her numerous chart-topping dance-pop bops and singing style have defined this era. After dropping a few mixtapes, The Weeknd went from an underground alternative R&B singer to full-blown pop star with his chart-topping sophomore LP "Beauty Behind the Madness" in 2015.



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