

Today, I'll be reviewing 'Quantum Leap' by Gus G, notable for beginning with Q obviously. (Although it could look an O if someone poked you in the eye for whatever reason, I get it). A rare letter I've never reviewed for this site, anyway. I've never done an album beginning with X or Z either, so I think for the sake of being original, there should be a band out there who use all three letters. A particularly good idea, as pretty much every band name imaginable has been used already, which is why you get some really weird groups calling themselves Paracoccidioidomycosisproctitisarcomucosis and things like that. Clearly, that naming was an act of desperation, you can only imagine what their logo looks like, I'll check it out now... Wow, it looks even worse than I was imagining, even describing it as a scribble would be kind. How about a blob? How do I compete with that? Well how about Questioning Xanthic Zebras? A prog metal supergroup, right there. Xanthic means 'yellowish' by the way. So, the yellowy, curious zebras? Why not?? To be on the safe side, let's ask Google if there is a band of that same name... Yep, I don't think anyone has ever combined those three words in that order in the history of mankind. Rare and proggy, too? It certainly beats the extremely long name just mentioned, and why would a band name themselves after various medical conditions, anyway? Say you got diagnosed with cancer and listened to a band called Cancer? (There probably is one). Would you think '... this is so cool!'

Oh no! After updating my computer yesterday and getting an improved version of the automatic grammar checker, I've just been informed that proper grammar is to write '(There probably is one.)' as opposed to '(There probably is one).' However, as I've been doing that kind of writing for many, many years now, I'm keeping the apparent error. The full stop after the bracket just looks better to me. You know what, I think I'm right, let's Google if full stops SHOULD be after brackets... Oh I was wrong. For a good few seconds I thought I was right though, apparently the full stop should be in different places in different circumstances, but as you may have guessed, I don't really care. Oh, Wikipedia says Gus G's real name is Konstantinos Karamitroudis... Where did Gus and G come from?? This is clearly a person who failed his English exams. I get that too, if a Frenchman wanted to sign my band Questioning Xanthic Zebras and asked me what the French version of Simon Wiedemann should be, I suppose I could say something random like Loius Bernard. Close enough. At least Gus G has the same letter in both initials though, right? Just like his real name! Oh, Google says 'Gus' is often used as an English nickname for Konstantinos! Do English people refer to Katamitroudis as 'G', then?? I doubt it, but never mind.

Now what to rate the album? In another article, I said I was considering giving it either a 9.25 or a 9.5. Why not average things out and give it 9.375? That sounds like an overly descriptive rating, but have you ever heard of 'the wisdom of the crowd'? That suggests that a group of people estimating something is surprisingly accurate when all the guesses are averaged out. Yes, I know I'm not lots of people (now that I'm on meds) but I'm still working with averages, aren't I? Therefore, 9.375 is a good rating. Or maybe it isn't and I've misunderstood what the wisdom of the crowd is. And if I have misunderstood, maybe it doesn't even matter as people don't take my reviews seriously? Who knows?? Wikipedia says Gus has played with band Mystic Prophecy, let's mock that, too: All prophecies are mystic!! His band Firewind on the other hand? Not all fires are winds, so that's fine. Band Kamelot should be spelt with a C; Nightrage is fair enough as not all rage is at nighttime (although I do think it usually is); Dream Evil is fine as not all dreams are evil (although I will

certainly pay the price if I forget to take my meds); and I'm sure his work with Angel Vivaldi is legit as between you and me, I think he's an angel, too. Now what to say? Nothing at all so... Bye!