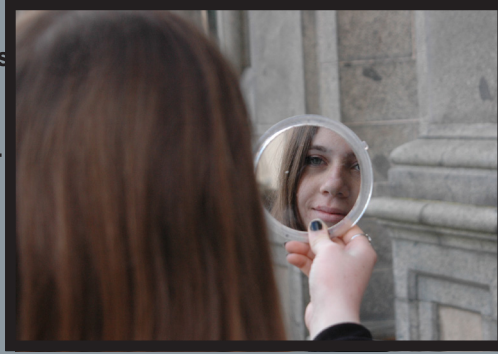


# Where has she been?

**T**ime for the interview and news everyone has been waiting for.

**'Where has she been?' Lily interviews Amber G asking all the questions fans have been asking.**

'The past year has been such a rollercoaster. I have my lows and I've had my highs like everyone and like I always have done. However, the past year, my lows have been extremely low and I was getting fewer moments where I was actually happy. I was diagnosed with depression during this period of time and I was devastated. I wasn't going to let it stop me. However, after a long hard discussion with my loved ones, I came to a very tough decision to take a step back from my music career. I still carried on playing



music to keep me going but I just stayed out of the public eye due to the pressure. Looking back at it, I understand my family were just telling me what's best for me and it was absolutely the correct decision. It has been a year for me to think over everything and get into the correct mind set and clear my head. After many appointments with incredible

counselors, I am finally feeling more like me and back to my old bubbly self. I absolutely love my job and inspiring young people to pursue their dreams. This is what kept me wanting to carry on.

I am super excited to resume sharing my music with you now that I am back and better. This experience was scary but a real eye opener. I realized how real mental health is. How much it can affect your life. For everyone out there suffering, please know you can do this. You are stronger than you think. I believe in you!

And we at Breeze believe in you too, Amber so much so that we will be popping by to meet up with her again, backstage at the MTV awards, where she is due to perform next month. Read all about it in next month's Breeze gossip.

## Photographs and words by Lily Le Page

### What's your favourite style of music?

'My favourite genre of music has always been and always will be Indie Pop, I Love It! It allows me to express myself and my feelings!

### How long have you been making/ listening to music?

'I have loved music from such a young age. When I was just 4 years old I used to perform to my family and friends. My mum noticed my love for music and on my 5th birthday; I got my own karaoke machine and microphone. I've loved it ever since!

### How did you get involved in the music industry?

'I joined a music school who noticed my talent and started to offer me more lessons. My mum didn't have the money so they offered me extra lessons for

free which I will be forever grateful for. The school pushed me to my full ability and signed me up for The Voice. That was when my life changed. I started getting deals and offers and positive feedback from celebrities. Ever since then I have been releasing my songs!

### How do you deal with negativity?

'After a while you get used to all the negative comments. I just think to myself that no one is perfect and you can't always impress everyone. However, sometimes I do let it get to me which can put me in a dark place but I always come back fighting. I have learnt now that you just need to ignore them as they are just looking for the attention!

### Who is your favourite artist?

' My favourite artist has got to be Billie Eilish. She is who inspired me and the songs that I write. I just love how relatable she is and how she writes about her struggles. She is such a lovely person both inside and out!

### What inspires the lyrics in your songs?

Billie has inspired me to write about how I feel. Honestly, I recommend it to everyone struggling. It is such an amazing way to express your feelings and let out all your emotions. If you don't know how to tell people how you're feeling, why not write a song?

Therefore, most of my lyrics are based on my feelings and experiences. I always feel so much more relaxed after writing a song!



**The inset below shows Amber and her new boyfriend (Lewis) putting her new records on the shelves. Go buy them now!**

