Reading 1 – Cinema billboard and film plots

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Matilda
(1996)

Genre: Fantasy, comedy.

Director: Danny DeVito.

Stars: Danny DeVito, Rhea Perlman, Mara Wilson.

Plot: This is the story of a sweet little girl named Matilda. She is very intelligent, but she feels different from the rest of her family. Soon, she ends up in a school with a horrible head teacher, Agatha Trunchbull. Matilda finds help and understanding in her warm-hearted teacher Miss Honey.

Ninjago
(2017)

Genre: Action, animation, adventure, comedy.

Directors: Charlie Bean, Paul Fisher.

Stars: Jackie Chan, Dave Franco, Fred Armisen.

Plot: Six young ninjas, named Lloyd, Jay, Kai, Cole, Zane and Nya have a mission: to defend their island home, called Ninjago. By night, they're warriors, using their skills and vehicles to fight villains and monsters. By day, they're ordinary teens fighting their greatest enemy: high school.

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  The incredibles 2 **(2018)**	**Genre:** Action, animation. **Director:** Brad Bird. **Stars:** Samuel L. Jackson, Holly Hunter, Craig T. Nelson. **Plot:** *The Incredibles 2* follows the adventures of the Parrs, a family of Supers, who are humans with extraordinary abilities. Mr. Incredible, the father, is super strong, Mrs. Incredible, the mother, is called Elastigirl, and she can stretch her body amazingly. Even Violet, Dash and Jack-Jack, their three children have super powers!

  The Boss Baby **(2017)**	**Genre:** Animation, comedy. **Director:** Tom McGrath. **Stars:** Alec Baldwin, Steve Buscemi, Jimmy Kimmel. **Plot:** Tim Templeton is a seven year old with a wonderful life. He has his parents all to himself, but when his new little brother is born, he starts to get less and less attention. Soon, Tim discovers something scary… his baby brother can TALK!

9. Which is the oldest film?

A. Ninjago.

B. Boss baby.

C. The Incredibles 2.

D. Matilda.

10. Two films showing at this cinema are on special offer for under sixteen year-olds. Which are they?

A. Matilda and The Incredibles.

B. Boss Baby and Matilda.

C. Matilda and Ninjago.

D. Ninjago and Boss baby.

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11. For a total of ten euros, which film can your parents watch?

A. Matilda and Ninjago.

B. Boss Baby and Matilda.

C. Boss baby.

D. The Incredibles 2 and Boss baby.

12. There is a film about the everyday life of a very clever girl. This film is…

A. Ninjago.

B. Matilda.

C. Boss baby.

D. The Incredibles 2.

13. What super power does the mother in *The Incredibles 2* have?

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14. In which film do the main characters change depending on the time of day?

A. The Incredibles 2.

B. Boss baby.

C. Ninjago.

D. Matilda.

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15. Which film tells us about a big change in the life of a little boy?

A. Ninjago.

B. Boss baby.

C. The Incredibles 2.

D. Matilda.

16. At which film/movie is free food and drink provided?

A. Ninjago.

B. Boss baby.

C. The Incredibles 2.

D. Matilda.

17. When is the earliest session?

A. At six o'clock.

B. At seven o'clock.

C. At half past six.

D. At five o'clock.

18. Which film is shown only at the weekend?

A. The Incredibles 2.

B. Matilda.

C. Ninjago.

D. Boss baby.

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Reading 2 – Natural wonders of the world

These incredible creations, some of Mother Nature's best offerings, will inspire and amaze you. Enjoy them!

Grand Canyon

Situated in Arizona, in southwestern USA, the 446 km long Grand Canyon is amazing. The canyon, up to a kilometer deep and 29 km at its widest point, was carved by the Colorado River.

In recent years it is difficult to reach the edge of the canyon, but the Grand Canyon is still a popular tourist destination for anyone wishing to explore nature.

Ways of exploring the canyon on foot:

- Day/night hikes.
- Overnight backpacking trips.
- Observatory ramp.

Northern Lights (Polar Auroras)

People living in the far north, near the pole, are able to see these impressive lights. While most of the Natural Wonders of the World are on land or at sea, we can admire this beautiful and unforgettable scene by looking at the skies. We can see vivid flashes of colour crossing the sky because of cosmic particles interacting with the Earth's atmosphere.

Quick facts:

- No specific or consistent measurements (design, size, pattern, colour).
- Unfortunately, it's impossible to predict exactly when the lights will appear, but the best chances of seeing them are between the months of March to April and September to October.

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Mosi-oa-Tunya / Victoria Falls

The Zambezi River crosses the border between **Zambia** and **Zimbabwe.** Its waters drop 108 m down into a gorge at the Victoria Falls. The waterfall was named for the English Queen Victoria. The indigenous name Mosi-oa-Tunya – or The Smoke that Thunders – is still in use. Victoria Falls is the largest waterfall in the world, it is 1,708 m wide and 108 m high.

Between September and December, the low level of the river, combined with a rock barrier, makes it possible to swim in a pool quite a distance from the edge of the falls. However, it can be a very dangerous option.

Curiosity:

- There are two seasons at the Victoria Falls. The rainy season is from November to April and the remaining months are dry. There is so much water in the rainy season that it is difficult to see the waterfall properly.

Great Barrier Reef

The Great Barrier Reef is the largest coral reef in the world. It is larger than the whole of Italy. It is so immense that astronauts can see it from the moon.

Located in the Coral Sea, on the coast of Queensland in the northeast of Australia, billions of minuscule organisms called coral polyps build up the reef. The Great Barrier Reef needs protection from excessive fishing and tourism, so the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park works in this direction. Another enemy of the reef is climate change.

Biodiversity in the reef:

- It includes several species of whales and dolphins, around 400 species of corals and over 1,000 species of fish, amongst other sea creatures.

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19. Which natural wonder can be seen from outer space?

A. The Polar Auroras.

B. The Victoria Falls.

C. The Great Barrier Reef.

D. The Grand Canyon.

20. Complete the sentence:

Overfishing, tourism and ..... are considered dangers to the Great barrier reef.

21. Where can you spend the night after a day trip hiking?

A. At the Grand Canyon.

B. At Victoria Falls.

C. At the Great Barrier Reef.

D. At Polar Auroras.

22. How deep is the Grand Canyon?

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23. This natural wonder is a natural light display in the sky, seen in High latitude regions (Artic-Antartic).

A. The Grand Canyon.

B. The Polar Auroras.

C. The Great Barrier Reef.

D. The Victoria Falls.

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24. Knowing when it will be possible to admire this natural beauty is quite difficult.

A. The Great Barrier Reef.

B. The Victoria Falls.

C. The Grand Canyon.

D. The Polar Auroras.

25. Complete the sentence:

At Victoria Falls, a calm pool forms naturally, but it can be dangerous to ..... there.

26. You can practice snorkelling and observe different sea creatures close to this natural wonder.

A. The Polar Auroras.

B. The Grand Canyon.

C. The Great Barrier Reef.

D. The Victoria Falls.

27. The view at Victoria Falls is more spectacular during the dry season.

A. True.

B. False.

28. If you visit the natural wonder in Australia, you need to take _____ with you.

A. a swimsuit, sunglasses and things for the beach.

B. a raincoat and Wellington boots.

C. A guide book about Niagara Falls.

D. a telescope.

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