

WIDER WORLD

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LISTENING

1 You will hear a girl called Poppy talking about an annual carnival in her town. Listen and circle the correct word.

- 1 Poppy was **six / ten** years old when she first went to a carnival.
- 2 Last year's carnival was at the **sports field / square** in the town.
- 3 Poppy was dressed as someone from a **book / cartoon film**.
- 4 Poppy's friend Phil won some **popcorn / sweets** as a prize for his costume.
- 5 Poppy's class performed a **song / dance** at the carnival.
- 6 Poppy says one band's music was **bad / brilliant**.
- 7 Poppy ate some **ice-cream / cake** at the carnival.

2. You will hear a boy called Jem talking about a football match that he went to, and what he ate there. Listen, and decide if the sentences are True (T) or False (F).

- 1 Jem sometimes goes to football matches on Saturdays without his brother. _____
- 2 Jem and Andrew have only managed to watch their team when they've played in their city. _____
- 3 Jem and Andrew buy food at the stadium when they go to a match. _____
- 4 Sometimes, the food at a match is bad, so they don't eat it. _____
- 5 The boys were surprised by the size of the pizza for sale at a food stall. _____
- 6 Andrew's slice of pizza had some fish on it. _____
- 7 Jem's pizza tasted better than Andrew's. _____

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READING

3 Read the film reviews below.

Which film – A, B or C – are sentences 1–6 talking about?

Which film:

- 1 **doesn't have as much action** as expected?
B / C
- 2 is **about a group of friends**?
A / B
- 3 has already **opened in other countries**?
A / C
- 4 is a **romantic comedy**?
A / C
- 5 is **good** for a **wide range of audiences**?
A / B
- 6 has **amazing special effects**?
C / B

A Rocks

This sci-fi film is the newest from director John Manton, who also made the very funny action comedy Kipper, that some of you may remember. Cinema-goers from Australia to Canada have seen this film, and everyone young and old has really enjoyed it – apart from the reviewers! The special effects are better in Manton's previous films, but don't worry – you'll still enjoy this!

B Forward!

Thanks to the costumes, make-up and camera work you won't recognise the actors in this sci-fi film – it's all brilliant, and you'll believe you've gone forward in time by 100 years. The film follows three people who went to school together in the US. It shows what's happened to them since then – and, as with all of this director's films, there's plenty of action – and an unexpected love story, too!

C Run

The last film by this director, Canadian Jon Moss, was about quite a serious subject. But this film will make you laugh out loud – and teenage audiences especially have loved it! But what's missing are all the exciting car chases that we usually get from Jon Moss. Instead, this is more of a love story – but go and see it for yourself!

3 Read the text about a teenage girl called Samantha Lucas and choose the correct answers to the questions – A, B or C.

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| <p>1 What does Samantha do at the weekend?</p> <p>A She looks around the shops in town.</p> <p>B She plays sport with her friends.</p> <p>C She earns money working in a clothes shop.</p>
<p>2 What do we learn about Samantha and cooking?</p> <p>A She has loved it ever since she was small.</p> <p>B Her mum has taught her everything she knows.</p> <p>C She has made new dishes by trying out ideas.</p>
<p>3 Samantha says that when she's been busy cooking</p> <p>A she's sometimes forgotten to tidy the kitchen.</p> <p>B she hasn't always got everything right.</p> <p>C she's preferred not to have her mum's help.</p> | <p>4 What does Samantha tell us about school?</p> <p>A She's sorry that she doesn't study cooking there.</p> <p>B It's hard to find time for school work and cooking.</p> <p>C Cooking has helped her with some school subjects.</p>
<p>5 Samantha thinks that in the future, she</p> <p>A will find a job involving cooking.</p> <p>B will train to work in a school.</p> <p>C will carry on cooking every day.</p>
<p>6 What might Samantha's brother Edward say?</p> <p>A 'Mum says I'm a better cook than Samantha.'</p> <p>B 'I tried learning to cook, but I just prefer eating.'</p> <p>C 'Everyone in my family can cook really well.'</p> |
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Samantha Lucas – cookery book writer!

Samantha Lucas is like many other teenage girls, she's interested in going clothes shopping in town on Saturdays, although it's usually just window shopping because she doesn't have much money! And they all love doing volleyball after school, too. But there's one thing she's done that her friends haven't – she's written a cookbook specially for people her age – and now they can buy it in the shops!

Samantha didn't really enjoy cooking when her mum asked her to help in the kitchen at an early age. But her mum showed her how to do things like cook pasta and make sauces, and slowly she learnt the basic skills. And since then, she's created lots of dishes of her own by experimenting – and when they've worked, she's added them to her collection, ready for her next book!

Says Samantha, 'I've made lots of mistakes along the way – and used every plate and bowl in the kitchen sometimes! But I always tidy up, and anyway that's the best way to learn. And my mum's always been here if I've needed advice – like why something has gone wrong!'

Samantha still finds time to do all her schoolwork, and in fact thinks her cooking has made it easier for her to understand some of her science subjects, like Chemistry. But she hasn't decided on a career path yet. 'Although I love cooking, I think I might stop enjoying it if it's the only thing I ever do. I'd quite like to use my skills to train to become a school science teacher – and just cook at the weekends!'

Whatever happens, Samantha's parents are really proud of her. Says her brother Edward, 'It's amazing – Mum tried to teach me to cook, too, but I just didn't enjoy it. But now there are two people in the family who can cook brilliantly – so I get to eat lots of tasty dishes!'