



### Task 1. Complete the sentences

1. Actress Judi Dench was only in a very short eight- minute scene/cast in the film Shakespeare in Love (1998). However, she won an Oscar for her play/ performance.
2. In the film Kind Hearts and Coronets (1949), actor Alec Guinness plays/sets eight different characters / remakes, including an old soldier, a young photographer, and an old lady.
3. The Wolf of Wall Street (2013), which stars/plays Leonardo DiCaprio and Matthew McConaughey, is set /put in New York but was actually filmed in Spain.
4. Memento (2000) is a film with a very convoluted play/ plot. It tells the story backwards from the point of view of a man who can't remember anything. The cast/set includes Guy Pearce, Joe Pantoliano and Carrie-Anne Moss.

### Task 2. Match the parts of the sentences.

- 1 Hollywood star Bruce Willis often plays tough
- 2 Harry Potter is a wonderful
- 3 James Cameron spent over \$230 million on the captivating
- 4 Mike Myers and Jim Carrey are both laughable Hollywood
- 5 Gone Girl is an adaptation of Gillian Flynn's novel.  
It contains
- 6 The spine-tingling character Dracula is inspired

- a)all of the classic film noir elements.
- b) comic actors who were born in Canada.
- c) guys in action-packed films, such as Die Hard and Loper.
- d) by a real-life person, Vlad the Impaler, notorious for his cruelty.
- e) film adaptation of the eponymous novels by J. K. Rowling.
- f) special effects for his sci-fi film, Avatar (2009).





**Task 3.** Read the interview about the Hollywood film Captain Phillips. Complete the questions with words or phrases from exercises 1, 2 and new vocab. The first letter is given.

1 So, what is Captain Phillips about? What's the plot of the film?

Well, it tells the story of what happens when Somali pirates go on board an American ship. It's a true story, and the idea for the film came from a book written by the real Captain Phillips.

2 And where is the film s\_\_\_\_\_?

Most of the action takes place in the middle of the Indian Ocean near the coast of Africa.

3 Who s\_\_\_\_\_ in the film?

Tom Hanks plays the main part.

4 What c\_\_\_\_\_ does he play?

Tom plays Captain Phillips in the film.

5 Can you describe his p\_\_\_\_\_?

It's amazing. He's one of Hollywood's best actors, and in this film he's brilliant.

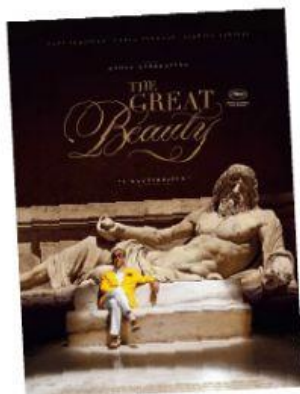
6 Does the film have an interesting c\_\_\_\_\_? Who else is in it?

Oh, a Somali-American actor called Barkhad Abdi, as well as Catherine Keener, Faysal Ahmed and David Warshofsky.

7 Are there any p\_\_\_\_\_ t\_\_\_\_\_ in the film?

Well, yes, there are. For example, when Muse's right-hand man Nour Najee refuses to board the lifeboat with Muse unless Phillips goes with them, and later attacks the Captain.

**Task 4. Grammar revision. Gerund and Infinitive. Complete the review with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.**



If you enjoy watching (watch) films from around the world, I suggest 2\_\_\_\_\_ (take) a look at this year's list of nominations for best foreign language films at the Oscars. The list aims 3\_\_\_\_\_ (promote) world cinema, so, in a way, it is a useful recommendation for films that you really should try 4\_\_\_\_\_ (see). You won't fail 5\_\_\_\_\_ (find) something worth watching. In 2014, at the 86th Academy Awards ceremony in Los Angeles, the nominations included The Broken Circle Breakdown, a Belgian film about 6\_\_\_\_\_ (fall) in love and 7\_\_\_\_\_ (live) together, and

a Danish film called The Hunt. In the end, however, the Academy decided 8\_\_\_\_\_ (give) the Oscar to The Great Beauty (La Grande Bellezza), a wonderful Italian film that manages 9\_\_\_\_\_ (be) both moving and funny.

In the film, we see the lives of rich and important people in Rome through the eyes of a writer who seems 10\_\_\_\_\_ (be) bored with the beautiful lives around him.

