

Reading

Language Training

1 The people below all want to see a film. Read the six film reviews and decide which would be most suitable for each person. For questions 1-5, write the correct letter (A-F). There is one extra letter which you do not need to use.

- 1 Sarah likes stories about ghosts, but nothing frightening.
- 2 Stephen wants to see something weird, but not with ghosts or aliens in it.
- 3 Katrina likes laughing at bad films.
- 4 Jamie enjoys films that have aliens in them, and he likes a story that's easy to understand.
- 5 Frieda doesn't like ghost stories, but she does like strange characters.

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A This film isn't bad. The story is quite believable and is certainly worth watching. It's about people from another planet. A man gets a glimpse of a UFO and after that he wants to find the spacecraft.

B This film can only be described as dreadful. It's absolutely disastrous. There's no story and the acting is awful! The camera work is terrible and the music is rubbish. A film to miss!

C From beginning to end, this is a

marvellous production, even if it's a bit scary. The settings are brilliant and the actors are wonderful! It's based on an incident which the police have never been able to explain, even though they investigated it thoroughly. I won't tell you what happens, but I will tell you it's not about aliens or ghosts!

D Do you believe in ghosts? Well this scary film will make you believe! Not the best story but the ghosts are wonderful. I'm sure that's just what a ghost is like. You may prefer sci-fi with aliens, but try

this anyway – you won't be disappointed.

E Only one word to describe this film – bizarre. All the characters are extremely odd and you don't know where the story begins or ends. It's very interesting, although some of the aliens are not very believable. If you want something unusual, this is it.

F There is nothing in this film to be afraid of even though it's called *Story of a Ghost*. It's a fantastic film with one of the best stories you'll ever see. Don't miss it!

Listening

CD Track 3

2 You will hear people talking in five different situations. For each question, choose the correct picture.

1 What is the baby doing now?



4 What does the boy see?



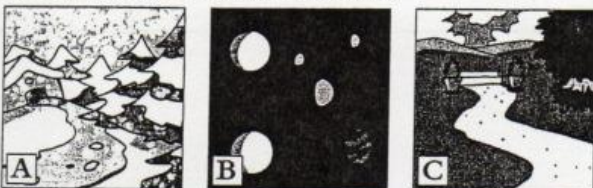
2 What did the woman see?



5 What kind of books did the woman most enjoy reading?



3 What was the man's dream about?



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Section 2

Vocabulary

3 Match to make phrases.

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|-------------------|----------------|
| 0 the fire | a time |
| 1 wide | b temperature |
| 2 be far | c awake |
| 3 have a high | d cut |
| 4 in slow | e away |
| 5 take a short | f motion |
| 6 for a long | g trouble |
| 7 be in big | h broke out |
| 8 the incident | i witnessed it |
| 9 a person | j went wrong |
| 10 the experiment | k occurred |

- 0 h 1 _____ 2 _____ 3 _____ 4 _____
 5 _____ 6 _____ 7 _____ 8 _____ 9 _____
 10 _____

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4 Circle the odd word out.

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|--------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| 0 say | explain | <u>gaze</u> | suggest |
| 1 glimpse | glance | watch | reply |
| 2 great | excellent | terrific | terrible |
| 3 horrible | disastrous | dreadful | marvellous |
| 4 it's great | that's odd | it's weird | how bizarre |
| 5 tiny | enormous | huge | very big |

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Grammar

5 Put the verbs in brackets into the correct form, past simple or past continuous, to complete the sentences.

Anne (1) _____ (read) a book when suddenly she (2) _____ (hear) a weird noise.

She (3) _____ (open) the window but she (4) _____ (not/see) anything unusual. Then a green monster (5) _____ (appear) in the garden. At first she (6) _____ (scream) in horror but then she (7) _____ (realise) that it seemed familiar. She (8) _____ (turn) on the garden light and she (9) _____ (be) surprised. The wind (10) _____ (move) her green dress on the washing line up and down, making her think it was a monster.

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6 Complete each sentence using the word given, so that it means the same as the sentence before it. Use no more than five words.

- 1 Tony loved reading ghost stories in the past but now he simply hates them. **used**
 Tony _____ reading ghost stories but now he simply hates them.
- 2 When he was boy, he watched every TV programme about the world's mysteries. **would**
 When he was a boy, he _____ every TV programme about the world's mysteries.
- 3 I never believed in dreams until one of them came true. **believe**
 I _____ in dreams until one of them came true.
- 4 My little sister always left a biscuit under her bed for the ghost of the house. **to**
 My little sister _____ leave a biscuit under her bed for the ghost of the house.
- 5 The crew landed the plane successfully. **managed**
 The crew _____ the plane successfully.

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Use of English

7 Read the text below and decide which answer (a, b or c) best fits each space.

All the locals had (0) us against camping near the military base but we paid no attention. What could possibly go (1) ?

After a busy day catching fish we got straight into our sleeping bags. My friend was fast (2) , but I was awake as I had a (3) feeling.

(4) a strange noise came from behind the bushes. I stood up (5) with fear and I shouted in a deep (6) , 'Who's there?'

Then I saw a bright object, the size of a tennis ball, which appeared out of (7) It (8) fast towards me when I instinctively lowered my head. Luckily it passed a few centimetres above me. 'That was a narrow (9) ' I thought. The object vanished and never appeared again. I guess I'll never find out if the army had (10) out an experiment or if I'd seen a real UFO.

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| 0 (a) warned | b stated | c suggested | d glimpsed |
| 1 a well | b wrong | c bad | d fast |
| 2 a tired | b asleep | c awake | d sleepy |
| 3 a tiny | b marvellous | c brilliant | d weird |
| 4 a Suddenly | b Finally | c Thankfully | d Luckily |
| 5 a shaking | b walking | c waiting | d glowing |
| 6 a shape | b voice | c skin | d noise |
| 7 a nowhere | b somewhere | c everywhere | d anywhere |
| 8 a was flying | b flies | c has flown | d will fly |
| 9 a mistake | b take off | c escape | d scratch |
| 10 a carried | b did | c found | d jumped |

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Writing

8 Finish the following short story. Try to use the tenses and vocabulary you learnt in this unit and be as imaginative as you can.

The Unexpected Visitor

The clock struck midnight. I was getting ready to go to bed when I heard a weird noise downstairs.
