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On Broadway



Preview

1

VOCABULARY *The theater*

Do you know these theater words?
Match them to the pictures. Then
compare with a partner.

actor

dancers

musical

musician

✓ play

usher



1. play



2.



3.



4.



5.



6.

2

THEATER QUIZ

A PAIR WORK Here are some popular musicals. They began on Broadway and then became popular around the world. How many do you know? Match.

1. The Lion King

3. Mary Poppins

5. West Side Story

2. Beauty and the Beast

4. Billy Elliot

6. Hairspray



B PAIR WORK Talk about these questions.

- Did you ever go to the theater to see a play or a musical? If so, what did you see?
- The musicals in part A are also movies. Which of the movies did you see?
Did you like each movie? Why or why not?
- Look again at the musicals in part A. Which one(s) do you think you'd like to see – either at the theater or at the movies? Why?

3 WHAT DO YOU SEE?

A Watch the video with the sound off. Does each person have a job in the theater? Circle **Yes** or **No**.



1. Yes No



2. Yes No



3. Yes No

B Where is Broadway?
Check (✓) the correct answer.
Then compare with a partner.

- ☐ Chicago
- ☐ Denver
- ☐ Los Angeles
- ☐ Miami
- ☐ New York
- ☐ San Francisco
- ☐ Seattle



Watch the video

4 GET THE PICTURE

A Check your answers to Exercise 3. Were they correct?

B Where are these people from? Match.



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| 1. Sylvia | a. New York |
| 2. Frank | b. Mexico |
| 3. Andrea | c. Colorado |

5 WATCH FOR DETAILS

A Check (✓) all correct answers.



- ☐ Sylvia came to New York four years ago.
- ☒ Sylvia came to New York to be an actress.
- ☐ Before she came to New York, she studied acting.
- ☐ Her parents were happy when she came to New York.
- ☐ Her parents thought New York was a big, interesting city.
- ☐ Her parents love New York now.



- ☐ Andrea is a musician.
- ☐ She works five days a week.
- ☐ There are two shows on Tuesdays.
- ☐ The theater is closed on Mondays.
- ☐ Andrea was born and raised in Brazil.
- ☐ Andrea studied dance in college.



- ☐ Frank is an actor.
- ☐ He took this job because he needed the money.
- ☐ He doesn't like his job.
- ☐ He meets a lot of nice people.
- ☐ He came to New York to study acting.
- ☐ He wants to write movies.

B Look again at the sentences in part A. Correct the false statements. Then compare with a partner.

Sylvia came to New York ^{five} ~~four~~ years ago.

C PAIR WORK Now ask and answer questions about the people in part A.

A: Did Sylvia come to New York to be an actress?

B: Yes, she did. Is she working as a Spanish teacher?

A: No, she isn't. She's working as a yoga teacher.

Follow-up

6 INTERVIEW

A You're interviewing a young actor. First, match the questions with the answers. Then, practice the interview with a partner.

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| 1. ^b When did you come to New York? | a. <i>Broadway Dreams</i> . |
| 2. Where did you grow up? | b. I came here three years ago. |
| 3. Did you study acting in school? | c. In a small town in Arizona. |
| 4. What did you do before you came here? | d. No, but I'm studying it now. |
| 5. What was the name of your first show? | e. I worked in a restaurant. |

B PAIR WORK Now interview each other. Use the questions in part A. Answer with your own ideas.

7 WHAT DID THEY SAY?

Watch the video and complete the conversation. Then practice it.

Rachel Park is interviewing people on Broadway.

Rachel: Times Square. Midtown Manhattan. And the heart and the *home* of the theater district: Broadway! is New York City! And no to New York is complete until you go to a Broadway or musical. Broadway is a and exciting place to be. It's the dream of thousands of actors, ... , musicians, and other artists. Let's with some of the people who actually work here on Broadway.

Rachel: Hi, Sylvia.

Sylvia: Hi.

Rachel: is Sylvia Santiago. Sylvia, were you in New York?

Sylvia: No. I born in Mexico.

Rachel: And when did you to New York?

Sylvia: I here five years ago. I to be an actress.

Rachel: Wow. Do you want to be in a Broadway ?

Sylvia: Yes! That's dream.

Rachel: Did you study before you came to New York?

Sylvia: No, I I studied



8 PAST TENSE Giving personal information

A Complete this interview with a Broadway actor. Use **was**, **were**, **did**, or **didn't**. Then practice the interview with a partner.

A: Where *did* you grow up?

B: In Australia.

A: you study music when you a child?

B: Yes, I I studied the violin. Later, I studied acting.

A: your parents actors, too?

B: Yes and no. My father a professional actor, but my mother a musician. Now they're both teachers.

A: When you come to the U.S.?

B: In 2003.

A: you get an acting job right away?

B: Yes, I I lucky. I got a job with the touring company of a musical. So I have to get a day job to support myself, like most actors.



B CLASS ACTIVITY Find out about your classmates. Write five more questions. Then go around the class and ask them.

1. Where were you born?
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3.
4.
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