## Theatre by the lake

## **Comprehension check**

Þ	Watch the DVD clip. Choose the correct answers.
1	What is RADA?
	a a theatre b a drama school c an area of London
2	Where is Theatre by the Lake?
	a in London b in the West End c in north-west England
3	Whose job is it to find the furniture they use on the stage?
	a Hayley's <b>b</b> Charlotte's <b>c</b> Andrew's
Þ	Watch again. Number the things (A–H) in the order that you see them.
A	an actor, practising with backstage staff
	a popular West End Show being performed on stage
C	a busy London street
D	a smartly-dressed male ticket seller
E	a prestigious drama school
F	a recreation of a traditional Shakespearean theatre
G	beautiful green hills
Н	an audience waiting for a play to start



1	► Watch again. Complete the sentences with the words below. There are two extra words.
A	Andrew Lindsay Artistic Director Charlotte Globe Hayley Judi Dench RADA West End
1	The is home to a number of famous theatres in London.
2	The was William Shakespeare's theatre in London.
3	is one of the celebrities who support Theatre by the Lake.
	Ian Forrest is the at the theatre.
5	is the Technical Manager at the theatre.
	works in a team with two other people.
Vo	cabulary
REC	YCLE Choose the correct adjectives.
1	The staff who work for the Theatre by the Lake are really <b>passionate</b> / <b>industrious</b> about their work.
2	The staff and volunteers at the theatre are <b>shrewd / selfless</b> . They just want to work hard to make the theatre a success.
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- 3 The writer of the play is really creative / generous. She has so many good ideas.
- 4 The team are really creative / industrious. They built the stage and painted the set in just three hours.
- 5 The theatre owner is a **shrewd / selfless** businessman. He opened the theatre two weeks ago and now everyone wants to come here.
- **6** The staff at the theatre are so **generous / passionate** with their time. They often work late to make sure everything goes well.

## Complete the text with the words below.

directors playhouse playwrights productions props stages

The National Theatre
The Royal National Theatre in London is one of the most famous performing arts
venues in the country. It was founded in 1963 at the Old Vic 1, a theatre
in south London, but since 1976 has had its own building by the Thames in central
London. The building has three 2 and puts on about twenty 3
each year, written by both well-known and new 4 All the 5
used in the plays can be hired from the theatre, including old furniture, stuffed animals
and fake food. The National has had six artistic 6, including one of Britain's
greatest ever actors, Laurence Olivier.

