

TOP NOTCH 3 HOMEWORK UNIT 4  
PREVIEW AND LESSON 1

PREVIEW

1. Match the genres of books with the explanations.

A self-help book	a. a book about a person's life, written by that person
A science fiction book	b. the life story of a person written by someone else
A memoir	c. a book, film, or play, especially about a crime or a murder, with a surprise ending that explains all the strange events that have happened
A biography	d. a book, play, or movie that has an exciting and frightening story
An autobiography	e. a type of book, film, etc. that is based on imagined scientific discoveries of the future, and often deals with space travel and life on other planets
A mystery	f. a written record of a usually famous person's own life and experiences
A travel book	g. instruct people on solving personal problems
A thriller	h. a book about travelling

2. Read each pair of sentences. Write "=" if the sentences have the same or similar meanings and "x" if the sentences have different meanings.

1. I can't get into it. \_\_\_\_\_ I can't put it down.
2. It's not my thing. \_\_\_\_\_ I don't like it.
3. I can't put it down. \_\_\_\_\_ It's a real page-turner.
4. I can't get into it. \_\_\_\_\_ I can't get enough of it.
5. It puts me to sleep. \_\_\_\_\_ I really like it.
6. I'll lend it to you. \_\_\_\_\_ You can borrow it.
7. I'm just browsing. \_\_\_\_\_ I'm looking for a specific book.

LESSON 1

1. Read each sentence. Write true or false.

1. A page-turner describes a book that you can't put down. \_\_\_\_\_
2. If you think a book is a cliff-hanger, you probably can't get into it. \_\_\_\_\_
3. A book becomes a best-seller when a lot of people buy it. \_\_\_\_\_

4. A book that is a fast read is very difficult. \_\_\_\_\_
5. A book that is trash isn't usually considered to be good literature. \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Respond to each question with a clause using that. Use the prompts.**

1. Who are the main characters in the Twilight novel? (Bella and Edward/I believe)

⇒ I believe that Bella and Edward \_\_\_\_\_ the main characters in the Twilight novel.

2. What is Adam Johnson's short story "Hurricanes Anonymous" about? (a single father / I think)

⇒ I think that Adam Johnson's short story \_\_\_\_\_ about a single father.

3. What is Alice Sebold's most famous novel? (The Lovely Bones / I suppose)

⇒ I suppose that Alice Sebold's most famous novel is \_\_\_\_\_.

4. They don't have any articles on knitting in this magazine, do they? (disappointed / I)

⇒ I am \_\_\_\_\_ that \_\_\_\_\_ any articles on knitting in this magazine.

**3. Write the letter of the sentence that best answers each question.**

\_\_\_1. Has Kristin Hannah stopped writing novels?  
\_\_\_2. Are you reading anything good these days.  
\_\_\_3. Do you think the new Jody Picoult novel  
is going to be any good?  
\_\_\_4. Is your book any good?  
\_\_\_5. Have you read anything by Amy Tan?

a. I think so, but I can't remember the title.  
b. I hope not. I really like her books.  
c. I'm afraid not. I'm surprised I can't find  
anything good.  
d. I believe so. I've just started reading it.  
e. I guess so. All of her books are great.

**4. Complete each conversation with a logical response. Use so or not.**

1. A: Does this magazine cost less than this book? B: I think \_\_\_\_\_.

2. A: I'm glad the interview went well. Do you think they'll offer you a job?

B: I hope \_\_\_\_\_. I really like the company.

3. A: Is Scott going to meet us tonight? B: Well, he's already an hour late, so I guess \_\_\_\_\_.

4. A: Is it going to rain for our picnic tomorrow? B: I hope \_\_\_\_\_.

5. A: Do the stores close at 4:00 in the afternoon? B: I don't believe \_\_\_\_\_.