


A Do you remember these words? They appear in the movie reviews on pages 50-51 of the Student's Book. Write the meanings for as many words as you can. Use the Glossary to help you.

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| 1. whole | שלם / كامل, تام | 6. situation | |
| 2. problem | | 7. happen | |
| 3. pay | | 8. suddenly | |
| 4. decide | | 9. rich | |
| 5. silly | | 10. succeed | |

1. Which types of films do you like?

Get Ready Reading Workbook, page 59

D Look at the movie reviews below and on pages 51 and 52. Read at least movie reviews 1 and 2 and answer the questions that follow.

1  **Movie Reviews**

School of Rock

A rock guitarist takes a job as a substitute teacher at a private school.


5 This comedy is about a rock guitarist, Dewey Finn, played by Jack Black. His whole life is about rock music. But

10 he has a problem. He was kicked out of his rock band and he can't pay the rent for his apartment. His roommate, Ned, tells him to get a "real" job but Dewey only wants to find a new rock band.

One day, Dewey accidentally answers a phone call for Ned. It's from a private school. They want Ned to be a substitute teacher for a group of

15 good students. Dewey realizes that the pay is good. He decides to pretend he is Ned and get the job. It's a silly situation because Dewey isn't a teacher and doesn't know what to do in class. Then he discovers that some of these kids are fantastic musicians. He starts a rock band with

20 these kids. Their parents aren't happy at first, but the kids learn teamwork



and become more confident.

This is a movie about how a teacher helps his students through a special way of teaching. It's not a new plot, but the movie is great fun and you'll especially enjoy the music! ★★★★★

* substitute teacher מורה מחליף / معلم بديل

Choose the correct answer.

1. What is Dewey's problem?
 - a. He can't find a new roommate.
 - b. He can't pay the rent for his apartment.
2. How does Dewey become a teacher?
 - a. He answers a phone call for his roommate, Ned.
 - b. He studies in a private school for teachers.

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Movie Reviews

Mr. Deeds

What happens when a nice guy from a small town suddenly inherits¹ 40 billion dollars?

5 Longfellow Deeds, played by Adam Sandler, owns a pizzeria in a small town. He's a simple guy and always acts nicely to
10 people.

Deeds suddenly inherits 40 billion dollars from an uncle that he didn't even know he had!

15 He goes to New York City and discovers what it's like to be a multi-millionaire. A New York reporter named Babe (Winona Ryder) wants to write a story about him because she thinks he's a fool². She pretends she is also from a small town so she can get close to him. Then she changes her
20 opinion of him. She realizes how kind-hearted he is and falls in love with him.

The plot has no surprises. You know what will happen after the first ten minutes of the movie – he'll get rich, they'll fall in love. The movie succeeds



because Sandler is a star comedian.

The characters are silly and make you laugh. If you like Adam Sandler, you
25 will really crack up. ★★☆☆

¹inherits יורש / ירש

²fool טיפוס / אחמק

Complete the sentences.

1. People liked Deeds because
2. Deeds was surprised to inherit 40 billion dollars because
3. When Deeds became a multi-millionaire, he

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Movie Reviews

Freaky Friday

A mother and daughter
are trapped¹ in each
other's body for a day.
What else can go
5 wrong?

Dr. Tess Coleman,
played by Jamie Lee
Curtis, is a psychiatrist
and a mother. She has
10 a busy career and is
planning her second
wedding. Her daughter,
15-year-old Anna
(Lindsay Lohan), is



15 crazy about her music, her appearance and boys. Mother and daughter don't
get along. Tess is too busy to think about her daughter's problems and Anna
is unhappy about her mother's future wedding.

One night, they are arguing loudly during dinner at a Chinese restaurant when
a waitress gives them each a fortune cookie² which, she says, has magical
20 powers³. The next morning, they discover a big change. Anna is now trapped
in Tess's body and Tess is in Anna's! During that day they learn what it is
really like to walk in each other's shoes⁴.

Freaky Friday has great actors and a cool soundtrack⁵ that you'll really love.
You can sort of guess what will happen next in the movie, but there are a lot
25 of laughs. I'd call this movie Fabulous, Fun Friday. ★★★★★

¹trapped לִכְדוּת / قُبُضَ عَلَيْهِمَا

²fortune cookie עוגיית סזל / כעֵקָה (ביסקוֹטָה) الحَظّ

³magical powers כוחות קסם / תּוֹי סַחֲרִיָּה

⁴walk in each other's shoes ללכת האחת בנעליים של השנייה / נִמְשִׁי בִּי אֲחֵדָה גֵּירָה, תִּתְקַטֵּר שְׂנֵחִימָה גֵּירָה

⁵soundtrack פסקול / המוסיקָה הַתְּצוּרִית

1. Why was Tess so busy?
2. What did Anna think about her mother's second wedding?
3. What caused the big change?




GET THE FACTS

E Which movie(s) does each sentence describe? Complete the chart in your Workbook, page 59, for the reviews you read. Then share your answers in a group.

	School of Rock	Mr. Deeds	Freaky Friday
1. The main star is a man.			
2. Someone doesn't like the main character(s).			
3. Someone pretends to be someone else.			
4. The movie is funny because of the main actor or actress.			
5. The situation is possible.			
6. The movie has great music.			

KEEP THINKING

F Answer the questions.

-  1. In the movie, *School of Rock*, how does Dewey's past experience help him teach the class?
-  2. Ned tells Dewey "to get a real job". What does Ned mean by a "real job"?
-  3. The reviewer gave the movie *Mr. Deeds* only two stars. Give two examples from two different paragraphs to show why he doesn't recommend the movie.



G Compare and contrast the movies in the reviews.

1. What do the plots of these three comedies have in common?
 - a. They take place in a small town.
 - b. You can guess what's going to happen.
 - c. They are about teenagers.
2. In what other ways are the movies alike? How are they different? Think about the main character, plot, music, ending, etc.