

CULTURE

LITERATURE

1. Complete the sentences using the words from the box

chapter detective story fairy tale
non-fiction novel poetry
short story volume



- 1 Marcus likes fantasy. His favourite _____ is *The Lord of the Rings*, all three _____.
- 2 Little Poppy enjoys _____, especially *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs*.
- 3 Brandon likes reading _____ because you can finish one in an evening and you don't have to stop in the middle.
- 4 Ruby likes _____. She always tries to guess who the murderer is before the last _____.
- 5 Mr Harper prefers _____, especially travel books.
- 6 Rose likes _____. She has even written a few poems herself.

MUSIC



2. Complete the missing letters in the words.

- 1 I am not very keen on c _ _ s _ i _ _ l music.
- 2 Beethoven was a very talented c _ m _ _ _ e _ .
- 3 Do you enjoy going to c _ _ c _ r _ _ ?
- 4 I always remember the l _ _ i c _ of my favourite songs.

ART



3. Match the names 1 - 6 to the pictures a - f.

1 still life

☐

2 drawing

☐

3 landscape

☐

4 sculpture

☐

5 portrait

☐

6 photo

☐


a



b



c



d



e



f

MEDIA

4 Complete the text with the words from the box .

email • programmes • television • blogs
magazines • sitcoms • section
papers • users • issue



Media are very important in our lives today. As for _____ , most people watch the news and _____ , but I think there are more interesting _____ , for example about art, culture or history. I don't have time to read daily _____ or teen _____ , but I buy every _____ of a certain monthly. I always start reading it from the _____ about film-making. I also surf the Net often – I read _____ , check my _____ and discuss with other _____ on various forums.

5 Choose the best possibilities

- 1 The film is bound to be on the **bestseller/** box-office list.
- 2 The novel was **written/composed** by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle.
- 3 The story has a tragic **end/** setting.
- 4 The cast is **awful/slow**.
- 5 You should definitely **read/see** this film.
- 6 The actors give a brilliant **performance/** directing.
- 7 The soundtrack is **fantastic/action-packed**.

THE REBEL GENIUS

There are very few people today who have never heard the name Leonardo da Vinci. He lived in the Italian Renaissance and died in 1519, but he became a pop culture icon that is still fascinating. There are several reasons why da Vinci is so intriguing to us – the famous *Lady with an Ermine* is only one of them.



Leonardo da Vinci was one of the most talented artists of all time. However, just calling him an artist is not fair enough because the list of areas he was active in is quite long. Apart from being a painter, an architect and a sculptor, he was also an inventor, a philosopher, a musician, a writer and an engineer. He wrote poetry and created maps. He made discoveries in anatomy and geology. He also designed military systems and musical instruments. He even came up with ideas for flying machines, bicycles and tanks hundreds of years before they were invented. He was truly a Renaissance man*, interested in a lot of topics and keen to understand the world.

Leonardo was extremely talented but he hadn't got much formal education. He was only taught basic reading, writing and mathematical skills. Like most artists, he had quite an unconventional life and personality too. He was left-handed and often wrote from right to left, which made his handwriting difficult to read. He had problems finishing anything: he was always drawing and thinking about several things at the same time. He did not care about fashion: he wore a short jacket at the time when the fashion was for long ones. But it's interesting to know that Leonardo really cared about other people: he was kind and generous to them. He never got married and he didn't eat meat. Quite a rebel!

It is really not surprising that da Vinci's work and life still appeal to the 21st century audience. His unique mind and intellect will probably be admired by next generations too.

Przeczytaj tekst. Następnie zdecyduj, czy zdania 1-6 są zgodne z treścią tekstu, czy nie.

Leonardo da Vinci...

- 1 is still well known. **TRUE** **FALSE**
- 2 was only interested in art. **TRUE** **FALSE**
- 3 was well-educated. **TRUE** **FALSE**
- 4 was fashionable. **TRUE** **FALSE**
- 5 was selfish. **TRUE** **FALSE**
- 6 was a vegetarian. **TRUE** **FALSE**

Przeczytaj ponownie tekst. Uzupełnij luki w zdaniach 1-5 zgodnie z jego treścią.

- 1 Leonardo da Vinci _____ centuries ago.
- 2 We shouldn't call Leonardo da Vinci only an artist because _____
- 3 It's difficult to read Leonardo da Vinci's handwriting because _____
- 4 He was _____ to other people.
- 5 According to the text, next generations will probably continue to _____

