

UNIT 7. TELEVISION

SPEAKING

1.

There are many TV channels for _____. They offer interesting _____ for fun and learning. When children are _____ the programmes, they can visit far-away lands, _____ interesting people, learn about the _____ around them, laugh with the comedians, and enjoy the funny _____ colourful cartoon _____. They can also become guests at the _____ of a programme.

2.

What's on today?

Act as..... **Hung:**

Phong:

Phong: What are you watching, Hung?

Hung: *The Voice Kids*.

Phong: That music talent show is very interesting.

Hung: It is. What programme do you often watch, Phong?

Phong: Films. I like animated films like *The Lion King*.

Hung: I love them, too. They're wonderful.

Phong: I often watch them with my little brother, but he prefers cartoons.

Hung: *Tom and Jerry*?

Phong: Ha... ha... Yes, he loves Jerry the mouse.

Hung: Jerry's a clever character. Do you know any English programmes for children?

Phong: Yes. I watch *English in a Minute* on VTV7. This channel has many educational programmes.

Hung: Great. I'll watch it, too.



3.



Let's Learn is an educational TV programme. It makes learning fun. Children love it. It has cute characters and fun songs. People in 80 countries watch it today. Both children and their parents like it.

4.



Hello Fatty is a popular TV cartoon. It's about a clever fox called Fatty and his friend. Together they go to different places. Children around the world enjoy this programme. It's funny and educational.

5.

Act as..... Minh:

Phong:

Phong: Turn to _____, Minh. *Harry Potter* is going to be on.

Minh: But I'm watching *Kids are Always Right*.



Phong: Is the topic of the _____ about pets?

Minh: No, it's about the Amazon. It's only half way through.

Phong: I can't miss *Harry Potter*. _____ does your programme finish?

Minh: _____ 8.30.

Phong: I'll miss the first part of the film. Why don't you go and watch it with Dad?

Minh: Dad is watching his _____ team, Manchester United. He never misses it.

Phong: Well.... So I'll wait till 8.30. It's your day today, _____?

6.

TIME	PROGRAMME	DESCRIPTION
8.00	Wildlife: <i>Cuc Phuong Forest</i>	Watch the colourful world of plants, flowers, and animals in their real life.
9.00	Comedy: <i>The Fox Teacher</i>	Have a lot of fun with a fox teacher and his students on their first day at school.
10.30	Sports: <i>The Pig Race</i>	Watch the cute pigs compete in the most exciting races. Who wins?
11.00	Game show: <i>Children are Always Right</i>	Join this game show today and try to answer interesting questions about pets.
12.15	Science: <i>The Dolphins</i>	Watch funny and interesting clips of intelligent dolphins in their natural life - the sea.

***Q&A**

- 1) What's in the Wildlife programme?
- 2) Is the Fox Teacher a comedy?
- 3) What time is the Sports programme?
- 4) Can we watch a game show at 10.30?
- 5) What is the topic of the Science programme?

7.

Television has its good side.

It keeps children from taking part in outdoor activities.

It's educational.

They also learn how to make things by themselves.

It's educational.

It opens up new worlds for children.

They learn about different lands and different people.

It's bad for their eyes, too.

However, watching too much TV is bad.



Note: Put the sentences in the right order.

***Q&A**

- 1) Why is television good?
- 2) What do children learn from TV?
- 3) What part of the body does watching too much TV harm?
- 4) What does watching too much TV keep children from?
- 5) Do you think "Television: A Wonderful Invention" is a good title for this passage?

8.

Some cool facts about television:

- Philo Farnsworth, the inventor of television, did not allow his children to watch TV.
- Early television was in black and white.
- In 1969, when man first walked on the Moon, over 600 million people watched the programme.
- In 2005, Suresh Joachim – a man from Sri Lanka – did a long non-stop TV watching: 69 hours.
- 99% of households in America have at least one TV.

- Iceland does not broadcast television on Thursdays. It's a day for family life.

9.

VTV1 is a popular TV channel in Viet Nam. It attracts many _____ because it has interesting programmes. The _____ programmes show tigers and giraffes in nature. People watch races or football matches on _____ programmes. Comedies make people laugh because they are _____. Game shows are both fun and _____.

10.

Here are some interesting TV programmes for you. *Green Summer*, a music programme, is on channel 1. It starts at eight o'clock. *My Childhood* is on channel 2. It's the story of a country boy and his dog Billy. On channel 3, you will watch *Harry Potter* at 8.30. Children all over the world love this film. If you like to learn English, you can go to *English and Fun* on channel 1. It's at nine o'clock. We hope you can choose a programme for yourself. Enjoy and have a great time.