

Контроль читання 8

1 Read the texts and the questions. Tick the correct answers a, b or c.

0 Which film can you see only in the evening?

Regina Cinema

Screen 4	Black Lake	16.30	19.30
Screen 5	Dr Mick and Me	10.30	14.15
Screen 6	Gold!	19.45	22.15

a Black Lake b Gold! c Dr Mick and Me

1 How many houses did the fires destroy?

In August there were hundreds of forest fires. They burnt three hundred and eleven homes and millions of trees. It will cost more than three hundred and forty million pounds to build the homes again.

a 311 b 34,100 c 340,000,000

2 Where is Dave going to be on Saturday morning?

Hi Fiona,
Our town has problems too. So, on Saturday, we're collecting the rubbish in the park. At twelve, we're having a break for lunch. Then we're having a clean-up on Queen's Street. At five o'clock, we're going to the beach for a barbecue. The beach clean-up is on Sunday morning. It will be fun.
Please join us!
Dave

a at the beach b at the park
c on Queen's Street

3 Which instrument does Roy's sister play?

Hi Lucy,
Guess what! I'm going to have music lessons! I'd love to play the cello, but it's difficult to play well. My sister plays the saxophone, but I've decided to learn the electric guitar. It's very cool.
Roy



4 What didn't Joan steal?

Edward Fletcher stole some earrings, a violin, and £4,983. A witness saw him while he was coming out of the house and called the police.

Joan Taylor stole £1,970, an ancient flute and a painting. The police caught her this morning and gave the things back to their owner.

a money b a musical instrument
c some earrings

5 Which picture shows the animal you can see in Episode 2 and Episode 3 of *African Wildlife*?

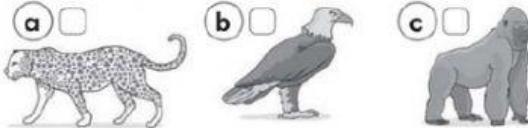
African Wildlife

Episode 2

A lizard looks after its eggs, gorilla families play and eagles feed their baby.

Episode 3

Lions and leopards hunt, and eagles fly in the African sky.



2 Read the article and answer the questions.

0 When was Jane Austen born?

She was born in 1775.

1 Where did Austen grow up?

2 Did she get married?

3 When was *Sense and Sensibility* printed?

4 Why don't we know a lot about Austen's personal life?

5 How old was Austen when she died?

6 What kind of people are her woman characters?

Jane Austen is one of the most famous novelists in the English language. She was born in Hampshire, England, in 1775. She spent her early life in the village where she was born. At that time, most women from 'good' families got married, had children and stayed at home. Austen was different. She didn't get married – she wrote novels. But 200 years ago, women didn't write books. When *Sense and Sensibility* was printed in 1811, Austen's name wasn't on it. The cover of the book said: '*Sense and Sensibility, A Novel By a Lady*'. In fact, her name wasn't printed on any of her other six books.

Austen also wrote about 3,000 letters. In them, she talked about her daily life and the people that she met. Unfortunately, the letters were burned by her sister when Austen died. As a result, we don't know a lot about her personal life. Austen became ill in 1816 and died in 1817 at the age of 41.

Today people all over the world love her books. 318,000 copies of *Pride and Prejudice* were sold in 2007. This is a little strange. People don't have exciting adventures in her books. They don't find magic rings and they don't commit crimes. Her stories are about relationships. So why are her books so popular? The answer is simple. Her characters are fantastic. Some are funny; others are silly; all of them are interesting. Her women heroines are intelligent, and the stories end happily. If you get the chance, read one of her books. You will love it!