

THE INTERNATIONAL YOUTH ARTS FESTIVAL

For 10 days every July, hundreds of young people from Britain and around the world come to Kingston upon Thames in south-west London, to act, dance, play or sing at the International Youth Arts Festival. With over 200 things to see and do, it is an important festival of art, music, theatre and dance for young people in the world.

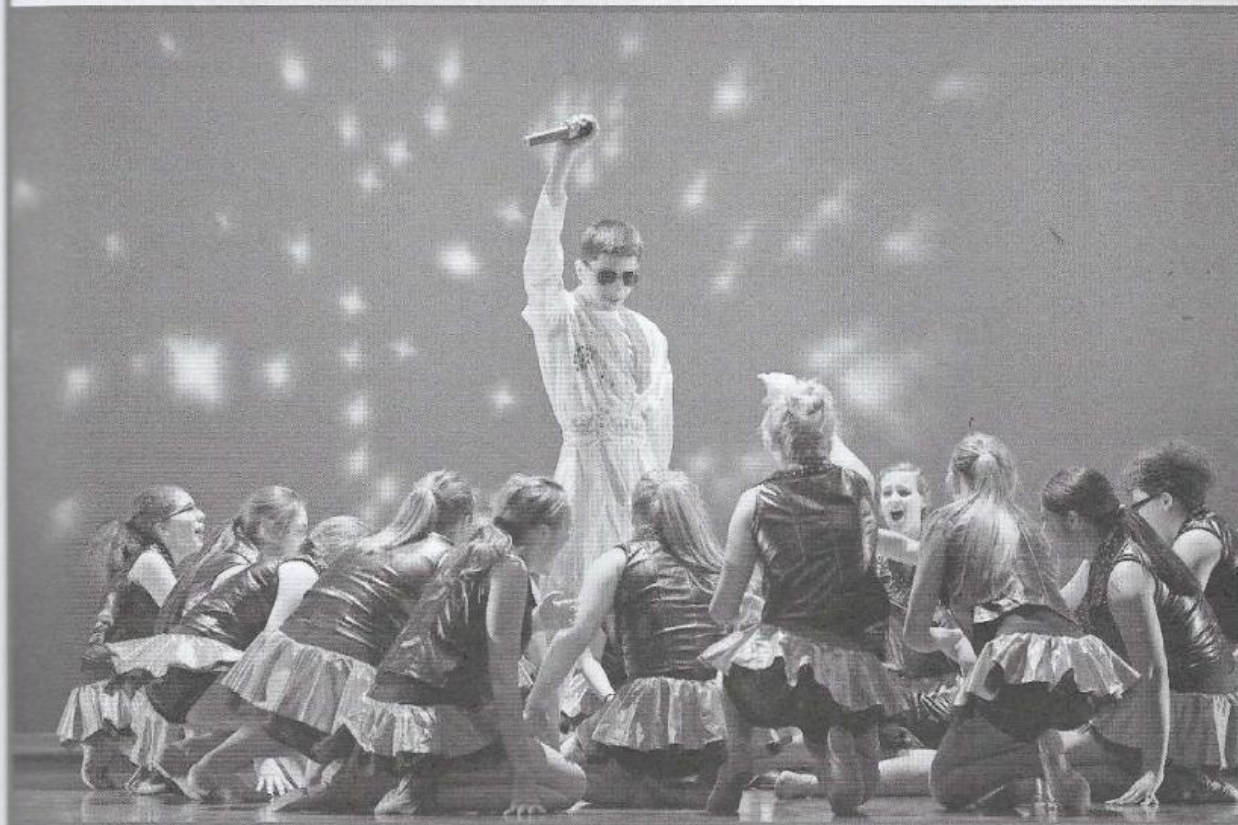
Theatre is usually a part of the festival. Acting groups with young people from

five to 26 years old put on plays and shows for children, teenagers and adults. Some of them are famous, like the plays of writers like William Shakespeare, and some of them are very funny.

Music is a big part of the festival. Each year, there are pop, rock and hip hop concerts, with both new and well-known musicians. Do you sing or play an instrument? Why not enter the music competition?

'Workshops' are a very important part of the festival.

Workshops are similar to lessons, for students to learn how to sing, dance, rap, write plays, or make clothes, not to learn maths or science. Many young people don't have the possibility to learn about music, theatre and dance because private lessons are very expensive. But workshops are a great way for them to discover the things they like and what they are good at. And perhaps their future is to be singers, dancers or actors at this amazing festival.



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That's entertainment!

READING | 3-option multiple choice (long text) | A magazine article

→ Student's Book, pages 14–15

1 Read the article on page 13 quickly. What is it about?

2 Underline the important words in each sentence.

- 1 The International Youth Festival happens in the summer.
- 2 The festival is in a different country every year.
- 3 All the singers and dancers are from Britain.

3 Underline the important words in the question. Then read the first paragraph of the article again and choose the correct answer A–C.

What happens at the festival?

- A Young people play games.
- B Young people from every country go there.
- C Young people can try doing different types of things.

4 Read the article and the questions. For each question, choose the correct answer.

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| <p>1 What does the first paragraph say about the British festival?</p> <p>A Many young people travel to go to this festival.</p> <p>B There are exactly 200 activities for young people to do.</p> <p>C Visitors from other countries can only watch the shows.</p> <p>2 Who puts on the plays at the festival?</p> <p>A actors of all ages</p> <p>B famous actors</p> <p>C theatre groups</p> <p>3 What can you do if you play an instrument?</p> <p>A play in a concert</p> <p>B take part in a competition</p> <p>C meet some well-known musicians</p> | <p>4 What can you learn at the festival?</p> <p>A how to write for the theatre</p> <p>B how to play an instrument</p> <p>C how to be a better student</p> <p>5 Why are the 'workshops' useful?</p> <p>A They aren't expensive.</p> <p>B People can find out what they are good at.</p> <p>C They help to find singers for the next festival.</p> |
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5 Complete the sentences with the highlighted words in the article.

- 1 There is a big music _____ in our city that lasts for a week every August.
- 2 My favourite TV _____ are cartoons and adventures.
- 3 There are some excellent _____ in this band.
- 4 Can you play a musical _____ ?
- 5 There are lots of good _____ on at our local theatre.
- 6 Last summer, my favourite singer played three _____ in our town.

1 Choose the correct words.

Lucas: Hi Ella. What (1) **do you do** / **are you doing** at the moment?

Ella: Not much. I (2) **watch** / **'m watching** a film online. It's the last *Star Wars* film.

Lucas: I (3) **love** / **'m loving** *Star Wars* films.

Ella: Really? I (4) **think** / **'m thinking** they're quite good, but I (5) **prefer** / **'m preferring** the *Harry Potter* films.

Lucas: Yes, they're quite good. They (6) **are** / **'re being** very popular.

Ella: Oh, look ... they (7) **show** / **are showing** a new adventure film at the cinema ~~this~~ week. It's got great reviews.

Lucas: (8) **Do you want** / **Are you wanting** to go and see it?

Ella: Yes, great idea.

2 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 Thomas often _____ (go) to the theatre with his parents.
- 2 My favourite actor _____ (make) a new film in London this month.
- 3 My friends _____ (have) a barbecue today, but I can't go.
- 4 Carrie _____ (want) to see the new adventure film this weekend.
- 5 My grandad never _____ (play) video games.
- 6 It _____ (not rain). Let's go to the beach.
- 7 Raluca _____ (come) from Romania, but she _____ (live) in France.
- 8 Tom Holland usually _____ (act) in films, but this week he _____ (act) in a play in London.

1 Read the definitions and write the correct word. The first letter is there to help you.

- 1 Where artists show their paintings to the public.
a _ _ _ g _ _ _ _ _
- 2 A place where musicians play.
c _ _ _ _ _ h _ _ _
- 3 A place where people go to use computers.
g _ _ _ _ _ c _ _ _
- 4 A place where you can see a play with singers and music. o _ _ _ _ _ h _ _ _ _
- 5 Where you can watch a play. t _ _ _ _ _
- 6 A building where you can look at old things.
m _ _ _ _ _

2 Complete the sentences with the prepositions in the box.

at | in (x 2) | out | to | with

- 1 He is acting _____ a play in New York at the moment.
- 2 I don't like staying _____ on a Saturday night. It's boring at home.
- 3 Lots of people want to look _____ the Picasso paintings in the exhibition.

- 4 My grandparents don't often go _____ in the evenings. They usually stay at home.
- 5 At the weekend, I sometimes play board games _____ my cousins.
- 6 My brother really loves listening _____ rock music.

3 Choose the best word to complete each sentence.

- 1 There are lots of newspaper _____ about the new Salvador Dali exhibition.
a) articles b) programmes c) screens
- 2 Can I borrow your MP3 _____ to listen to some music?
a) board b) game c) player
- 3 The new cinema has the largest _____ in the country. It's amazing.
a) screen b) TV c) picture
- 4 Most of the TV _____ I watch are British or American.
a) stories b) projects c) programmes
- 5 My friends and I prefer playing _____ games to video games.
a) screen b) board c) classical

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GRAMMAR 2 | Present continuous for future use

→ Student's Book, page 19 → Grammar reference, Unit 2, Student's Book, page 152

1 Complete the sentences using the present simple or the present continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 Oscar _____ (move) to Madrid next week.
- 2 Megan _____ (meet) her cousins from Australia for the first time on Saturday.
- 3 Tickets for the concert next week _____ (sell) very quickly.
- 4 The film _____ (start) at 8:15 pm.
- 5 Olivia and Holly _____ (play) chess later today.
- 6 My brother _____ (sing) in a concert in Liverpool tomorrow night.

2 Complete the conversation with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

Millie: Have you got any plans for the weekend?

Ryan: Yes, I (1) _____ (meet) Will and Julia on Saturday.

Millie: What (2) _____ you _____ (do)?

Ryan: The Southsea Rock festival (3) _____ (happen) this week.

We (4) _____ (want) to go on Saturday.

The Amazons (5) _____ (play).

Millie: Where (6) _____ they _____ (play)?

Ryan: At the Underground Café –
(7) _____ you _____ (want) to come
with us?

Millie: I (8) _____ (not think)
it's possible. My cousins from Paris
(9) _____ (visit)
us this week. I think we
(10) _____ (go)
out with them on Saturday.

Ryan: OK. Well, I hope you have fun.



1 Match the adjectives (a-f) to the adjectives with the same meaning (1-6).

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| 1 unhappy | — | a) attractive |
| 2 interesting | — | b) new |
| 3 good-looking | — | c) excellent |
| 4 modern | — | d) noisy |
| 5 loud | — | e) exciting |
| 6 amazing | — | f) sad |

2  02 Listen to Katie talking to her friend James about a band at the music festival. Choose the sentence that matches what she says.

- A The Carltons are a new band.
 B The Carltons are a good-looking band.
 C The Carltons are an excellent band.

3  03 Listen to all of the conversation between Katie and James about the bands at the music festival. For each band, choose an opinion/feeling. There are three extra letters you do not need.

- | Bands | | Opinions/Feelings |
|--------------------|---|-------------------|
| 1 The Carltons | — | A attractive |
| 2 The Plastic Cups | — | B strange |
| 3 Lonely Phones | — | C excellent |
| 4 The Tea Lions | — | D modern |
| 5 Mexico Sun | — | E interesting |
| | | F noisy |
| | | G short |
| | | H unhappy |



1 Complete the questions using the present simple or the present continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

- _____ (you / have) any hobbies?
- What _____ (you / do) next weekend?
- How _____ (you / spend) your free time?
- _____ (you / go) anywhere this weekend?
- How often _____ (you / see) your friends?
- What _____ (you / do) every weekend?
- What activities _____ (you / prefer) to do?
- Which activity _____ (you / enjoy) the most?

BUY CONCERT TICKETS

Select artist ▼

Select venue ▼

Select date ▼

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Seated