

## VOCABULARY PLUS

## PREPOSITIONS

5 Underline the correct preposition to complete the sentences.

- 1 I'll see you at/on/in lunchtime.
- 2 We often cook outside at/in/on the summer.
- 3 I start work at 8:30 a.m. at/on/in Monday.
- 4 I try not to go out alone at/on/in night.
- 5 I just heard it at/on/in the radio.
- 6 At/On/In the end, we decided to take a taxi.
- 7 I'm sorry. I took your coat at/by/in mistake.
- 8 Please be quick. We're at/by/in a hurry.
- 9 Wait there. I'll be with you at/on/in a moment.
- 10 We found the museum completely at/by/in chance.
- 11 I'm afraid Mr. Reeves is away at/on/in business. Can I help?
- 12 Nobody wanted to come with me, so I went at/on/in my own.

## READING

6 A What do you know about James Dean? Are the statements true (T) or false (F)?

- 1 James Dean became famous for his role in the movie *Rebel without a Cause*.
- 2 He died in a car accident when he was just twenty-one years old.
- 3 He was speeding in his car at the time of the accident.
- 4 When he was younger, he nearly died in a motorcycle accident.
- 5 His favorite drink was whiskey.

B Read the article on the right and check your answers. Correct the false statements.

C Circle the correct option to answer the questions.

- 1 Why do people go to Hollywood?  
 a) Because it's dangerous.  
 b) To follow their dreams.  
 c) To meet other actors.
- 2 Why was James Dean nicknamed "America's Rebel"?  
 a) He played a teenager in the film *Rebel without a Cause*.  
 b) He was friends with another actor, Ronald Reagan.  
 c) Teenagers respected his rebellious attitude.
- 3 What did he do before he arrived in Hollywood?  
 a) He performed dangerous stunts on television.  
 b) He raced motorcycles.  
 c) He worked in a restaurant.
- 4 Why did Dean argue with his father?  
 a) His father caught him drinking whiskey.  
 b) He crashed his father's car.  
 c) His father didn't want him to be an actor.

In the United States, speed limits are measured in miles per hour (mph), whereas, in much of the rest of the world, speed is measured in kilometers per hour (kph).



## FOREVER YOUNG: THE HOLLYWOOD HERO WHO DIED YOUNG

"Dream as if you'll live forever; live as if you'll die tomorrow."



1 The dream is the same for everyone: actors, dancers, singers, filmmakers. They go to Hollywood looking for money, success, fame and power. And many come to Hollywood as young people, barely out of their teens. But, Hollywood can be a dangerous place, and some of Hollywood's heroes even lose their lives because of it. But, although they die young, they are heroes forever, immortalized in film history.

2 One such hero was James Dean. Dean once said "Dream as if you'll live forever; live as if you'll die tomorrow." Arriving in Hollywood as a young man, James Dean quickly became a star. In the movie *Rebel without a Cause*, Dean showed teenage angst at its best, and he captured the world with his casual style and rebellious attitude. It was an attitude that he held both on the screen and off, and teenagers everywhere found a hero they could both respect and admire. Soon, he was more popular than even his own screen idol, Marlon Brando, and he was nicknamed "America's Rebel" by Ronald Reagan.

3 Always the rebel, Dean was afraid of nothing. Before becoming famous, he worked as a stuntman for a TV show. Dean loved his car, a silver Porsche 550 Spyder, and it was in this car that, on September 30, 1955, Dean crashed and died from his injuries. He was just twenty-four years old. Even though his career in Hollywood was short—he only made three movies—he made a lasting impression on everybody who watched him and even on future generations. James Dean will be forever young.

4 There are many myths about James Dean, but only some of them are true. James Dean loved speed. When he was younger, he had a motorcycle accident and lost his two front teeth. People assumed that Dean was speeding at the time of his car crash—he had been stopped by police for speeding just two hours earlier. But experts now believe that Dean was traveling at 55 mph, and that the accident was just unlucky. As a young man, Dean was a rebel at home. He was thrown out of his father's house when they argued about Dean wanting an acting career rather than a career in law. And finally, on-screen, James Dean is shown getting into a fight after drinking whiskey, but off-screen his favorite drink was coffee.



D Find words or phrases in the text to match definitions 1–5.

- 1 still very young/in their early twenties (paragraph 1)
- 2 made famous for a long time (paragraph 1)
- 3 opinions or behaviors that are against authority (paragraph 2)
- 4 an opinion or feeling about someone/something that you have for a long time (paragraph 3)
- 5 thought something was true (paragraph 4)