

Part 3

Questions 11–15

For each question, choose the correct answer.

My film club

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My city has a typical modern cinema showing all the latest films I want to see, and lots of films for kids at the weekends. It's around the corner from where I live, but a year ago, I realised something was missing – the experience of discussing a film in detail with a group of people after watching it with them. So, I persuaded two friends to join me and started a film club!

We decided early on that we didn't want to hire a cinema to show the films in. Instead, we choose a different location in the city each month. For example, we hired an old factory to show a film that was set in Antarctica. It was freezing cold, and this created the perfect atmosphere for the film, which was brilliant! Some places we use are even free, as the owners make money by selling snacks during the film, which means we can keep our prices low. We're happy to make enough to cover our costs – we're not trying to make a profit.

Each time we show a film, everything is a bit easier for us, especially now we've got our own reliable equipment. We also know the number of tickets we've sold because everything's online – no more concerns about empty seats! There's still always plenty to do, but when people of all ages come up at the end to say what a great experience they've had, it's wonderful.

The website's been a great help, and we're now in contact with other film clubs all over the country. We've been to see how people do things in different places – but it's always good to get back to our own club again! We've started a blog, too, because we know that most people now go online for information about films, rather than read reviews in local papers. We've also tried putting up a few posters in cafés. Nothing's as successful as word of mouth, though – people recommending us to their friends. And the audience love the surprise activities we put on with each film – last month it was a movie quiz, which everybody enjoyed.

11 Why did Sebastian decide to start a film club?

A He didn't like the films at his local cinema.
 B He wanted the opportunity to share opinions about films.
 C The nearest cinema was too far from his house.
 D His friends suggested the idea to him.

12 Why does Sebastian show films in many different places?

A He wants to make as much money as possible.
 B He can offer a wider variety of food to audiences.
 C He wants more people to be able to watch the films.
 D He can choose somewhere suitable for each film.

13 How does Sebastian feel at each film club session now?

A anxious about how many people will come
 B worried about some of the equipment not working properly
 C pleased when he hears that the audience have enjoyed themselves
 D happy to be able to relax completely

14 How do most people find out about the film club?

A They are told about it by someone they know.
 B They notice posters in the local area.
 C They see its social media page.
 D They read about it in the local newspaper.

15 What would Sebastian write on the film club blog?

A You'll never guess what we're planning to do before the next film – it'll be something to get everyone talking for sure! Details to follow ...

B We're planning to set up clubs all over the country because we've been so successful – watch this space!

C Our aim's to encourage a wider range of viewers. We get lots of children, but it's so important to include all ages.

D We've put up our ticket prices, but food and drinks are included in the price, so we think it's good value.