

Reading comprehension

Choose the correct answer from A, B, C or D.

- Which film does the reviewer refer to as a “charmer”?
 - Once
 - Emerald Isle
 - Sing Street
 - Begin Again
- The main character starts a band to:
 - influence a girl
 - become famous
 - play music
 - make new friends
- The film is set in:
 - Manhattan
 - the Emerald Isle
 - the UK
 - Dublin
- According to the text, the director’s main themes are:
 - growing up and having laughs
 - falling in love and Eighties music
 - growing up and making music
 - falling in love and growing up

Choose the correct phrase from the text to complete the following sentences.

- During the 1980s bands like Duran Duran were ...
- Conor’s family are in financial trouble so they send him ...
- Conor immediately has problems at his new school with ...
- Conor is soon attracted to Raphina who has ambitions to become ...
- At first Raphina seems uninterested in ...
- However, Conor’s boastful lie means that ...

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11. According to the storyline, Conor's band is:

- A. a total disaster
- B. an unexpected success
- C. a useless gesture
- D. a copy of another band

12. In the film the music is:

- A. at the centre of every scene
- B. always in the background
- C. featured in most scenes
- D. occasionally featured

13. Overall the reviewer thinks the film is:

- A. catchy
- B. humorous
- C. laughable
- D. committed

Read statements 14 to 24. Complete the chart by giving your opinion about the content of the review above. The first statement has been done for you.

The review of Sing Street	Your opinion: Agree/disagree/ not sure	Evidence in the review of <i>Sing Street</i>
Example: Informs the reader of the subject matter	Agree	It mentions the title of the film
14. Summarizes the plot of the film		
15. Describes the main characters of the film		
16. Analyses the film in terms of its artistic merit and technical skill		
17. Comments on the acting, direction, cinematography and script		

18. Gives the price of tickets to the show

19. Analyses the film in terms of its messages and values

20. Compares the film to similar films that came before it

21. Entertains the readers with its comments

22. Helps people to decide which film is most worth their time and money

23. Alerts parents about whether or not the film is appropriate viewing for children

24. Comments on the special effects and music soundtrack