MY COUNTRY ■ Entertainment and media

I can write a film review.

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1 Work in pairs. Check the meaning of these words in a dictionary. Then write the name of a film for each genre.

drama thriller comedy western
musical fantasy science fiction
romance adventure

2 2.22 Read and listen to the film review. Answer the questions.

1 What is the title of the film?
2 What genre is it?
3 What is it about?
4 Is it based on a book?
5 Where is it set?
6 Who plays the main role in the film?
7 Who is the reviewer's favourite character? Why does she like them?
8 What is the reviewer's opinion of the film? Would she recommend it?

3 Look at the words in blue in the text. Then choose the correct words in the rules.

1 We use *which* / *who* / *where* for people.
2 We use *which* / *who* / *where* for animals and things.
3 We use *which* / *who* / *where* for places.

4 Complete the sentences with *who*, *which* or *where*.

1 Yerbulat Toguzakov is the actor ___ plays the main role.
2 Sheep are farm animals ___ have thick wool.
3 A shepherd is a person ___ looks after sheep.
4 The steppe is the place ___ Kassym takes his sheep.
5 Football is a sport ___ Kassym likes to watch.
6 This is the village ___ Kassym and Yerali live.

5 Find these adjectives in the text. Which adjectives do we use to say how someone feels? Which ones do we use to describe something?

interested annoyed bored worried
terrifying interesting exciting



FILM REVIEW: *The Old Man*

The Old Man is a drama film directed by Yermek Tursunov. It is about family relationships and the relationship between people and nature. It is based on a book, The Old Man and the Sea, which was written by the American writer Ernest Hemingway.

The film is set in Kazakhstan and tells the story of Kassym, an old shepherd who lives in the steppe together with his daughter-in-law and his grandson, Yerali. Kassym is interested in football. He watches all the matches and even names his sheep after famous footballers. He is annoyed that Yerali plays computer games all the time. The town where they live is very small and the boy is bored because there is nothing to do. He often argues with his grandfather. But when Kassym and his sheep disappear in the steppe during a winter storm, Yerali is worried about him and tries to find him.

The actors who play in the film are very good. Yerbulat Toguzakov stars as Kassym and Arynbek Moldakhan plays the role of Yerali. My favourite character is Kassym because he is brave.

Overall, The Old Man is a great film which I would recommend to anyone who likes adventure stories. It is a bit sad and some of the scenes are terrifying, but the story is very interesting and there are a lot of exciting action scenes.

6 Complete the sentences with *-ed* or *-ing* adjectives formed from the words in brackets.

1 (interest)
a Darmen is ___ in football.
b Football is an ___ sport.
2 (tire)
a It was a long and ___ journey.
b Oleg was very ___ after the long journey.
3 (annoy)
a This loud music is really ___.
b I was ___ because the film started late.
4 (excite)
a I'm ___ about my new computer game.
b My new computer game is very ___.
5 (surprise)
a The ending of the film was quite ___.
b We were ___ when we heard the news.

7 Write a review of a Kazakh film. Use the questions in exercise 2 to help you.

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