Test

- **COMPREHENSION OF ORAL TEXTS**

Listen to the interview talking about a book.

***Skimming exercise**: Choose the facts about the book that are mentioned in the interview.*

***Scanning exercise**: Answer the following questions about the interview:*

1. What is the title of the book presented?

2. What did the author want to know in this book?

3. How old was the author's son?

4. What is Jon's opinion about the book?

- **COMPREHENSION OF WRITTEN TEXTS**

Who was William Shakespeare?

William Shakespeare is one of the most famous British _____. He wrote many _____ such as Romeo and Juliet and Hamlet.

Despite being so well-known we don't have much information about him; even his name is spelt differently each time it appears, ranging from 'Shak-peare' to 'Shaksper'. People have argued about whether he wrote the plays, although these days he's generally accepted as the author of about thirty-eight plays. He also wrote lots of famous _____.

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He has made a successful career in London first as an actor with a group called the Lord Chamberlain's Men and then as a _____. In the UK Shakespeare is taught in schools, although a lot of the plays are actually very funny; some parts are also incredibly rude. Both rich and poor people could enjoy his plays - it was like going to the cinema - and only later on did the theatre become more exclusive.

Some famous quotations from Shakespeare include common phrases such as the 'green-eyed monster' (meaning jealousy) mentioned in Othello and the idea of being 'eaten out of house and home' for someone who has got a greedy guest from Henry IV. The most famous quote is 'To be or not to be' from Hamlet.

Today you can still visit the house where he was born in Stratford-Upon-Avon. In London you can watch plays staged at Shakespeare's Globe, a reconstruction of the _____ he worked for.

(Adapted from https://learnenglishteens.britishcouncil.org/magazine/books/who-was-william-shakespeare)

Skimming exercise: *Fill in the gaps in the text with the following words:*

theatre	authors	writer	poetry	plays

Scanning exercise: Write 'T' (True) or 'F' (False) next to each statement and correct the false ones.

1. William Shakespeare wrote Romeo and Juliet.
2. Shakespeare was born in the UK.
3. Shakespeare became an actor after being a writer.
4. Shakespeare only wrote dramas.
5. There are many quotations that we use today that come from Shakespeare's plays.

- **PRODUCTION OF WRITTEN TEXTS**

A friend of you has asked you for recommendations of books. Write a text of 80-100 words telling him/her the last book you read and say if you would recommend it or not. Remember to use the vocabulary and grammar learnt in this unit:

- Vocabulary about literature (session 1 and 3).
- Present perfect (session 2).

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