

## MONDAY, April 19<sup>th</sup> ~ DO NOW

Which sentence in the passage supports the idea that many movies are based on ideas from other movies?

### Movie Making

Most new movies are based on old ideas. Every year, movie makers create many sequels. These movies continue the action that started in another movie. Some fans wait for years to find out what will happen to their favorite characters. Movie makers hope that these fans will go see every movie in a series. *One movie may lead to several sequels.*

*Other movies are based on books.* Popular books also have loyal fans. These fans enjoy seeing if the way they imagined the characters looking is the same on the big screen.

Movie makers use ideas from the small screen as well. *Both cartoons and live-action TV shows can be made into movies.* For example, movie makers have used TV cartoons and action series to create successful movie series. TV ideas like these often-become huge hits in the movie theaters.

Movies can also be based on real people. Many people have lived exciting lives. *Their adventures can help create fun and interesting movies.*

## TUESDAY, APRIL 20<sup>TH</sup> – DO NOW

### Flu Stopping the Flu Shot Problem

The next flu season is months away. So why is the government asking that some people get their shots now? This is because there may not be enough shots. Older people are being asked to get their shots now.

Dr. Julie Gerber is a scientist who studies diseases. In May, she spoke to Congress. She said it is hard to tell how much flu medicine we will have this year. The government is trying to stop the problem now. They want to make sure what happened before does not happen again.

In 2004, there were not enough shots for everyone. Many people did not get a shot. Older people, children, and pregnant women got one first. Healthy adults had to wait. People who could not get the shot had a bad flu season.

**The government thinks that not everyone will be able to get shots. Which statement best supports this idea?**

- A. Dr. Julie Gerber is a scientist who studies diseases.
- B. People who could not get the shot had a bad flu season.
- C. Older people are being asked to get their shots now.
- D. Older people, children, and pregnant women got one first.

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21<sup>ST</sup> – DO NOW

### Hibernation

Animals have many ways to deal with cold weather. Humans use heaters in the homes and wear jackets. Birds fly south to find warmer winter weather. Some animals dig in and wait for spring. To protect themselves, they go into a kind of sleep. That sleep is called hibernation. It keeps the animals from starving in the winter.

One animal that hibernates is the bear. During the winter, the bear goes into a cave to sleep. While it sleeps, the bear's breathing and heartbeat slow down. This lets the bear save energy. The bear can go without food for the whole hibernation. The bear does not grow during hibernation. When spring comes, the bear wakes up and goes on with its normal life.

**Which statement best supports the main idea of the passage?**

- A. The bear can go without food for the whole hibernation.
- B. Birds fly south to find warmer winter weather.
- C. Humans use heaters in their homes and wear jackets.
- D. One example of an animal that hibernates is the bear.

## THURSDAY, APRIL 22<sup>ND</sup> – DO NOW

### Lost and Found

Last Saturday, Troy Driscoll, 15, and best friend Josh Long, 17, were found. The teenagers had spent six days lost at sea. They were seven miles off Cape Fear, North Carolina. It was over 100 miles from their starting point of Sullivan's Island, South Carolina.

The boys left in their 14-foot sailboat on April 24. They ignored a warning by the National Weather Service. Right away, they realized they were in trouble. They tried to swim to shore, but the wind and strong currents swept them even farther out to sea.

On the second day, they lost their fishing gear. They were not able to catch any fish. They drank sea water because they were without fresh water. A few times, the boys slipped into the ocean to cool off. They were scared back onto the boat by sharks. At night, the boys shared a single wet-suit. It kept them warm in the cooler temperatures.

The boys had lost hope. Larger boats passed them, unable to see them waving. Last Saturday, they were finally spotted by men on a fishing boat. The teens were taken to a hospital. They were thirsty, hungry, and exhausted. They had bad sunburns, but they would be okay. Luckily, they were in good shape.

**The boys should not have been out on the sailboat because of the weather. Which statement supports this idea?**

- A. The teenagers were finally spotted by men on a fishing boat.
- B. They were over 100 miles away from their starting point.
- C. They ignored a warning from the National Weather Service.
- D. The boys slipped into the ocean to cool off during the day.