

VOCABULARY

From the text

1 **SYNONYMOUS EXPRESSIONS** Choose the best definition for the following phrases from the text.

- in frantic pursuit of (a killer) (lines 3-4)
 - desperately chasing
 - carefully searching for
- the present day (line 10)
 - the current year
 - modern times
- in a fraction of a second (lines 46-47)
 - in an incomplete way
 - extremely quickly
- captures the imagination (line 52)
 - is fascinating
 - seems unrealistic
- a crucial stepping stone (line 56)
 - a vital stage in a process
 - a useful technique
- restores order (line 59)
 - makes demands
 - brings things back to normal
- go so far as (to) (line 74)
 - be willing to explain what they understand
 - do something regarded as extreme
- of sorts (line 77)
 - in a way
 - of a completely different kind
- tingle of excitement (line 88)
 - a strong feeling of
 - a stinging sensation of

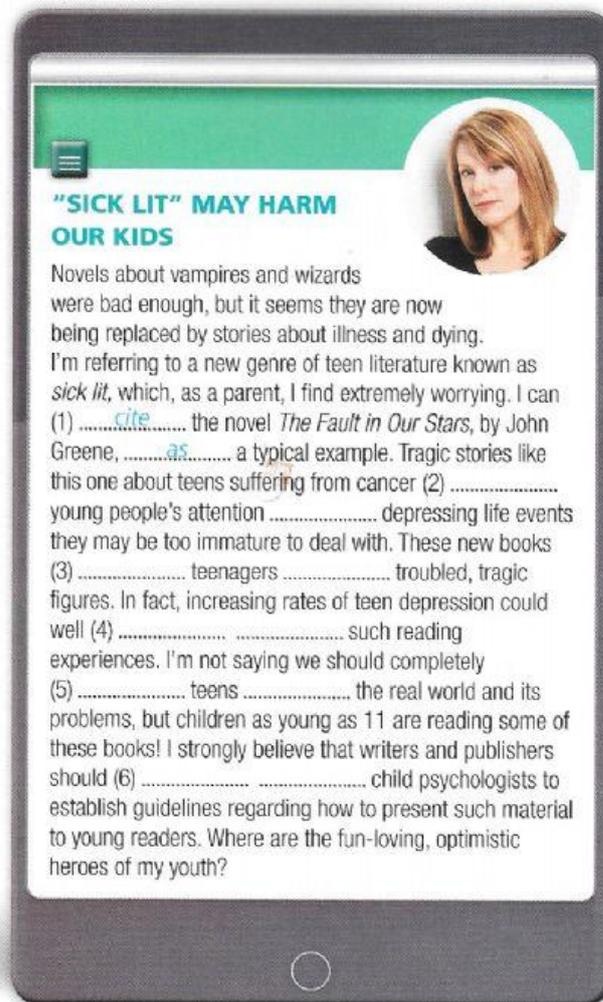
2 **COLLOCATIONS: adjective + noun** Replace the underlined words in the sentences below with the following collocations.

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| the digital age | loyal companion |
| screen version | moral obligation |
| ordinary mortal | deductive reasoning |
| public demand | intellectual capacity |

- Tim found school boring because he had the ability to comprehend things of someone twice his age.
- It is the ethical duty of parents to give their children a good education.
- Reaching conclusions through logical thinking is an important part of detective work.
- Nelson Mandela wanted to be remembered as an average person, not as a hero.
- Labelling on food became a legal requirement in response to pressure from ordinary people.
- The period of information technology enables us to access information in an instant.
- Sherlock Holmes found a faithful friend in Dr Watson.
- I prefer the film adaptation of that novel to the stage play.

3 **A parent's blog** **VERB + PREPOSITION** Read what one mother thinks about a type of young adult fiction. Complete the text with the verb + preposition combinations below.

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| portray as | cite as | isolate from |
| focus on | stem from | consult with |



Expansion

4A **WORD BUILDING** Complete the chart.

verb	noun	adjective
collide	.....	-
explode	..... / explosive	explosive
imagine	.....	imaginary / imaginative
.....	revelation	revealing
astound	-	..... / astounding
assume	.....	assumed
evolve	.....	evolutionary