

Reading

Read the texts below. For every paragraph (1-3) choose the right headline (A-D). Write the appropriate letters next to the paragraph numbers. One headline is extra and does not match any of the paragraphs.

- A The background story
- B The film's weaknesses
- C An action-packed film
- D A star-studded cast

FILM WEEKLY

1 _____

Once again, Superman returns to our screens, this time played by British actor Henry Cavill in *Man of Steel*. Cavill is joined by many other famous names, such as Kevin Costner and Russell Crowe. Michael Shannon plays Superman's enemy, General Zod, and Amy Adams is curious reporter Lois Lane.

2 _____

Man of Steel takes a closer look at Superman's past, where he was born and how he found out about his amazing powers. Viewers will get to know Superman's family and the events in his childhood that made him become a hero for good.

3 _____

The script is poor at times and some of the acting feels forced, but the special effects are fantastic. There are a lot of impressive fight scenes between Superman and his enemies that are sure to take your breath away. If it's adventure you're looking for, *Man of Steel* is the film for you!

Listening

You are going to hear two texts twice. Questions 1-3 refer to text 1, while questions 4-6 refer to text 2. Answer the questions according to what you hear by circling the appropriate letter (A, B or C).

Text 1. You will hear a conversation between two people.

1 They are going to see a show on

- A Friday evening.
- B Saturday afternoon.
- C Saturday evening.

2 The conversation takes place

- A in a restaurant.
- B at the theatre.
- C on the telephone.

Text 2 You will hear a teenager speaking.

3 The boy is thinking about buying some

- A rock music.
- B hip hop music.
- C reggae music.

4 He found it difficult to find

- A the album he wanted.
- B suitable footwear.
- C a place to put his tent.

VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

1 Choose the correct item.

- 1 Mozart and Beethoven wrote music that is still famous today.
 A jazz C country
 B reggae D classical
- 2 Amy doesn't like films because they're too scary.
 A science fiction C horror
 B adventure D drama
- 3 *The Hobbit* was by Peter Jackson.
 A shot C downloaded
 B led D directed
- 4 The main in *The Hobbit* is Bilbo Baggins.
 A role C scene
 B character D folder
- 5 shows are fun to play along with at home.
 A Game C Talk
 B Reality D Chat

2 Turn the sentences from *active* to *passive*.

- 1 They shoot a lot of films in 3D these days. _____
- 2 Gary Lineker presents *Match of the Day*. _____
- 3 Leo Tolstoy wrote *Anna Karenina*. _____

3 Underline the correct item.

- 1 Julia Roberts was great, **wasn't/was** she?
- 2 She's starred in many films, **has/hasn't** she?
- 3 Robert De Niro is a fantastic actor, **isn't/is** he?
- 4 You didn't really like the music, **didn't/did** you?
- 5 Let's go to the theatre, **will/shall** we?

4 Fill in: *some, any, no, everyone, anywhere*.

- 1 We watched a brilliant comedy at the theatre and had a lovely time!
- 2 There were tickets left for the evening show, so they went to the morning show.
- 3 We arrived really early, but we still couldn't find to sit.

Everyday English

1 For each situation (1-3) choose the appropriate response. Circle (A, B or C).

1 How do you tell your friend that you like fantasy films?

- A I can't stand fantasy films.
- B I'm keen on fantasy films.
- C I find fantasy films difficult.

2 How do you ask about the story of a film?

- A What's the main plot?
- B Have you read the book?
- C Is the cast any good?

WRITING

Read the text below. Complete the gaps (1-5) with appropriate words from the box in the correct form. Correct grammar and spelling is required. One word is superfluous and does not match any of the gaps.

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To: Arthur Dent

From: Grant Spence

Subject: My favourite TV show!

Hi Arthur,

Thanks for your email. I was very 1) to hear about what you like doing in your free time. I enjoy 2) sport, too, but I also like relaxing in front of the TV. My favourite programme at the moment is *Sherlock*. It's about the famous detective Sherlock Holmes and 3) friend Dr Watson, but it is set in modern-day London unlike the books it 4) on. The 5) are really interesting and the acting is brilliant! Have you seen it?

Write back and tell me about your favourite programme.

Grant

