

# HISTORY & STORYTELLING

Read the text below and write the word that best fits the gap. Use only one word in each gap.

Over the last few years (1)\_\_\_\_\_ has been more interesting in the subject of history, perhaps because historical documentaries (2)\_\_\_\_\_ television have attracted large audiences. Historians who often complain (3)\_\_\_\_\_ lack of interest in their subject should be delighted at this development, shouldn't (4)\_\_\_\_\_ ?

According to a survey, more people are applying (5)\_\_\_\_\_ places at university, and the number of those wanting to study history (6)\_\_\_\_\_ increased. However, professors of history are (7)\_\_\_\_\_ particularly happy about this increase and have expressed concern about the quality of their students. They claim that most of (8)\_\_\_\_\_ first-year students have never read a history book and don't have the skills (9)\_\_\_\_\_ study the subject in depth. TV Programs make students think that studying history is (10)\_\_\_\_\_ simple as storytelling. Documentaries oversimplify the subject and concentrate (11)\_\_\_\_\_ personalities in an attempt to attract audiences.

On the other hand, traditional historians could learn (12)\_\_\_\_\_ to tell a story from the makers of such documentaries. Many historians don't have good narrative skills which is (13)\_\_\_\_\_ so many history books are not popular with readers.

