1 **Complete the sentences with the phrases in the box.**

complex issues major role minor characters moving novel opening chapter ~~predictable plot~~ stunning illustrations

1 This book had a very ……*predictable plot*……, so I managed to figure out who the murderer was pretty quickly.
2 We saw a medieval book which had some …… in bright colours on every page.
3 A lot of modern teenage fiction deals with …… such as religion and politics.
4 The girl who has the …… in this film is a very likeable character.
5 There are two …… in this series that I think are very entertaining.
6 If you want to read a dramatic ……, then try this book which is non-stop action.
7 This is such a …… that I can't stop crying every time I read it.

2 **Complete the text with the phrases from Exercise 1. You may need to make some nouns plural.**

Children are spoilt for choice when it comes to reading. Many children's books offer **1**……*stunning illustrations*…… alongside entertaining stories. Then there are the books like *Harry Potter* with brilliant **2**…… that suck you into a whole new world in the first few pages. There are great characters like Katniss and Percy Jackson who play a **3**…… in stories. However, there are also smaller **4**…… that provide good entertainment as well, like The Maze Runner teenagers. Teenage fiction authors such as Benjamin Zephaniah touch on **5**…… such as politics in books like *Terror Kid*. By contrast, **6**…… such as Goodbye Days will make you cry. Gone are the days of simple stories and **7**…… in which the ending is obvious, today there is something for everyone.

3 **Complete the sentences with the words in the box and the correct prepositions.**

~~addicted~~ annoyed disappointed furious keen nervous suitable surprised

1 My brother and I are ……*addicted to*…… reading books by Marjorie Blackman.
2 The teacher was …… my behaviour because I'm normally quiet in class.
3 My sister is very …… any Manga comics. They're her favourite type of books.
4 Were you …… us because we didn't pass the exam? We should have done better.

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5 Do you get …… fans always asking you for your autograph or a selfie?
6 The story was so well written that I got …… whether the lead character would die.
7 I was …… my brother when he took my phone without asking. I shouted at him!
8 Do you think this book is …… children under 12?

4 **Find and correct the mistakes in some of the sentences. Tick (✓) the correct sentences.**

1 She was surprised ~~in~~ the number of pages I'd written. ……at……
2 What are you nervous with? Have you got an exam today? ……
3 Is anyone furious with the president's latest decision? ……
4 My little sister is keen with science fiction so she'd like a Terry Pratchett book. ……
5 Mum is addicted to reading murder mystery stories. ……
6 Dad gets very annoyed for us when we interrupt him while he's writing. ……
7 Were you disappointed with the new Marjorie Blackman novel? ……
8 I don't think this book is suitable to your class, there's too much violence. ……

5 **Choose the correct options.**

A: What are you reading?
B: A book called Am I Normal Yet? It deals with some very (**1**) *complex issues / major rules / moving novels*, such as mental health and feminism, but it's funny too. You should read it.
A: I don't know. I'm not that (**2**) *keen about / keen in / keen on* books about everyday stuff. I prefer science fiction. But, I was rather disappointed (**3**) *with / at / for* the last book I read. Despite a great (**4**) *opening chapter / stunning illustration / moving novel*, it turned out to have a very (**5**) *minor character / predictable plot / stunning illustration*. Perhaps it's time for a change.
B: I've nearly finished this and it's (**6**) *so good a book / too good a book / such a good book* that you should give it a go.
A: OK, I will. By the way, BTS have (**7**) *toured the world / released a track / gone solo*. Have you heard it?
B: Yes! It's brilliant.
A: I love it. We need to (**8**) *go for / figure out / join in* how we can get tickets to their next concert!

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