3 The arts

3.1 VOCABULARY

Watching habits • TV programmes • adjectives • elements of a film/ TV drama

SHOW WHAT YOU KNOW

1 Complete the text with the correct words. The first and last letters are given.

MyBlog

I love the media and the arts. Every day (after I finish my homework, of course!) I watch YouTube **c**lip**s** online. Sometimes they are so funny – especially the ones with animals or people doing silly things. In the evening, I watch the [1]**t**_____**y** because that's when they show the best [2]**h**_____**r** movies. I like anything with vampires and werewolves!

But I don't only watch things. Sometimes I read my favourite [3]**b**_____**g** on my laptop. My friend writes it and it's about social media. Before I go to sleep I read my [4]**e-**_____**k** or a fashion [5]**m**_____**e**. 'Look Good' is the one I like and I can think about what to wear the next day at school.

When I read, I often listen to my favourite rock [6]**a**_____**m** – *Dark Side of the Moon* by Pink Floyd. It's a classic! I usually listen to music on my [7]**m**_____**e** phone but sometimes, when I want to listen to something different, I listen to an Internet [8]**r**_____**o** station. Do you love the media and the arts more than me? I don't think so!



WORD STORE 3A | TV programmes

2 Match the film titles to the type of film.

	La La Land	h	a animation
1	*The Hobbit*		b comedy
2	*Se7en*		c fantasy
3	*Blade Runner 2049*		d horror
4	*Angry Birds*		e thriller
5	*Bridget Jones's Baby*		f romantic comedy
6	*The Exorcist*		g science fiction
7	*Mr Bean's Holiday*		h musical

3 Complete the sentences with a type of TV programme. Some letters are given.

I never watch *r* **e** *a* **l** *i t y* TV programmes because I don't think they are anything like real life.

1 Chiara loves a good **t** _ **l** _ _ _ _ **h** _ **w** – maybe one day she'll go on one, win the competition and then become a famous singer.

2 I watched this excellent **p** _ _ _ **o** _ **d** _ _ **m** _ yesterday about King Henry VIII and his wives. The actors were fantastic!

3 My favourite **g** _ **m** _ _ **h** _ _ is the one where you start with fifteen people but only one person wins the prize money.

4 Sir David Attenborough, famous for his excellent wildlife shows, has a new **d** _ _ _ **m** _ _ _ _ **r** _ on TV called *Planet Earth 2*.

5 *Friends* is such a good **s** _ _ **c** _ _ _. It's quite old now, but it still makes me laugh.

4 Complete the sentences with the names of programmes. There are two words in each gap.

We saw Brad Pitt on a *chat show* last week. He's quite funny and answered some interesting questions about his life.

1 My cousin's mum watches all of the _____ _____. I don't like them because everyone is so miserable all the time and has problems in their lives.

2 Trevor and Sharon are flying to Cuba next year. They watched a _____ about it and now they really can't wait to go there on holiday.

3 Did you just see that _____ ? There's been a big fire near the city centre.

4 Before we decide to go for a picnic, let's check the _____ to see if it's going to stay sunny.

5 Sam got this special pierogi recipe from a _____ _____ that she watched on TV yesterday.

6 Mum's watching a _____ about this criminal that used to be a police officer.

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WORD STORE 3B | Adjectives

5 Choose the correct adjectives.

1 Evelyn doesn't understand what's happening in this crime drama. The story is too *complex / gripping / addictive* for her.

2 This comedy isn't funny – it's *excellent / embarrassing / entertaining*. We both feel silly and uncomfortable watching it.

3 Carrie isn't coming to the theatre. She's watching a really *addictive / imaginative / embarrassing* soap opera and she can't leave home.

4 A good crime drama needs to be *gripping / inspiring / moving*, which normally means you don't know how it will end.

5 Have you seen the animation film *The Lion King*? It's so *addictive / engaging / moving* that everyone usually cries at the end.

6 I thought the film was *fascinating / disappointing / gripping*, to be honest. I was expecting it to be much better.

7 Walter found the documentary very *inspiring / imaginative / addictive*. Now he wants to volunteer to help homeless people too.

8 That was one of the most *imaginative / embarrassing / complex* things I've ever seen. How is it possible to be so creative?

9 I watched a documentary about how to make glass bottles. I know it sounds boring, but it was actually really *moving / fascinating / disappointing*.

WORD STORE 3C | Elements of a film/TV drama

6 Jake and Angela have just watched a film at the cinema. Complete their dialogue with the missing words. The definitions in brackets are given to help you.

J: What did you think of the movie, Angela? Excellent, eh?

A: Erm. Not really. The plot (*what happens in the story*) was really silly. For example, why did they go to the island with no food, no water and no map?

J: Because it's a film! What did you think about the [1]_____ (*what the actors do*)? That was good. Some of the actors might even win an Oscar.

A: Well, I don't think they'll win any Oscars for the [2]_____ (*the text in a drama*). What the [3]_____ (*people in a drama*) said was clichéd and not very realistic. But I have to say that the [4]_____ (*music during a drama*) was great. It created a very frightening atmosphere. And the [5]_____ (*illusions created by computers*) were also very good. The monsters on the island looked real.

J: I agree. And I think all of the [6]_____ (*clothes the actors wear*) were good. I thought the [7]_____ (*the place or time of a drama*) was really original and the [8]_____ (*how a drama finishes*) was a big surprise for me. I really enjoyed the film.

A: Really? They're showing Hitchcock's *The Birds* next week. Maybe you'd like to see a *really* good film?

REMEMBER THIS

Actors and actresses can *be, appear* or *star in films, plays* and *TV shows*, but the verb play is used with information about the character from the film. Compare

Johnny Depp ***stars*** *in the* Pirates of the Caribbean *films.*

vs

He ***plays*** *a pirate called Captain Jack Sparrow.*

7 Read REMEMBER THIS. Choose the correct words.

I really like director Peter Jackson's *Hobbit* films. They are fantasy films. Martin Freeman and Ian McKellen [1]*star / play* in them. Martin Freeman [2]*appears / plays* Bilbo Baggins and Ian McKellen [3]*is / plays* Gandalf the wizard.

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8 Choose the correct words.

Conversation 1: Owen and Billy

O: Have you seen that new animation where all of the [1]*special effects / characters / acting* are funny animals that have a secret life at night?

B: No, I haven't. Let's watch it. It sounds [2]*entertaining / moving / inspiring*.

Conversation 2: Mike and Ellie

M: I bought two DVDs for Laura for her birthday. One is a [3]*horror / fantasy / thriller* about dragons, wizards and magic.

E: What's the other one?

M: It's a [4]*romantic comedy / crime drama / period drama* about a woman who falls in love with a man from Mars. People say it's very funny.

Conversation 3: Olivia and Beth

O: Did you watch the latest episode of your favourite [5]*weather forecast / news bulletin / soap opera*? I heard it was boring.

B: I did. And it was. So after half an hour, I changed channels and watched something with a better [6]*acting / plot / special effects*.

Conversation 4: Jenny and Holly

J: Let's watch that new [7]*talent show / chat show / game show* and try to answer the questions.

H: I don't watch those kinds of programmes. They're too [8]*addictive / engaging / moving* for me and then I need to watch them all.

Conversation 5: Al and Ben

A: The [9]*script / setting / acting* of this film is Birmingham in the 1960s.

B: I know. And I read in the newspaper that the [10]*script / plot / soundtrack* was written by a real ex-gangster, so how the characters speak is quite authentic.

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3.2 GRAMMAR

Comparative and superlative adjectives

SHOW WHAT YOU KNOW

1 Match two adjectives from the box with their opposites 1–4. There are two extra words.

confident exciting far intelligent interesting loud noisy outgoing popular sensible

1 quiet ≠ noisy / _____
2 silly ≠ _____ / _____
3 boring ≠ _____ / _____
4 shy ≠ _____ / _____

2 ★ Complete the sentences about the London museums. Write *S* for the Science Museum and *N* for the Natural History Museum.

	The Natural History Museum	The Science Museum
Number of visitors per year	3.5 million	2.7 million
Started in	1881	1857
Distance from Victoria Station	2.2 miles	2.0 miles
Distance from Buckingham Palace	1.7 miles	1.8 miles
Opening hours	10:00 a.m. – 5:50 p.m.	10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

The [a]S Museum is not as popular as the [b]N Museum.

1 The [a]__ Museum is not as old as the [b]__ Museum.
2 The [a]__ Museum is not as far from Victoria Station as the [b]__ Museum.
3 The [a]__ Museum is not as far from Buckingham Palace as the [b]__ Museum.
4 The [a]__ Museum is not open as long as the [b]__ Museum.

3 ★ Complete the sentences with the superlative form of the adjectives in brackets.

Bob Marley is probably the greatest (great) reggae artist of all time.

1 I think the violin makes the _____ (beautiful) sound of all the instruments.
2 The guitar is one of the _____ (easy) instruments to learn.
3 Their Greatest Hits (1971–1975) by the Eagles is one of the _____ (popular) albums ever written.
4 The Pacific Ocean is the _____ (big) ocean on our planet.

4 ★★ Complete the dialogue between Kristen and James with the comparative or superlative form of the adjectives in brackets.

In the modern art museum ...

K: What do you think of the exhibition, James?
J: Yeah, great actually. It's much better (good) than I expected.
K: Yeah. I think it's [1]_____ (funny) than last year. Actually, it's the [2]_____ (good) exhibition I've ever been to. I really liked the photos of the dogs in the water.
J: Personally, I thought the giant baby sculptures were the [3]_____ (interesting) thing in the exhibition.
K: I didn't see those. Where are they?
J: Go back down this corridor and they are a bit [4]_____ (far) along than the dog photos.

5 ★★ Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words in brackets. Add any other words if necessary.

Heavy metal music is much louder than (loud) jazz music.

1 *Guardians of the Galaxy II* is just _____ _____ (silly) the first film.
2 That film was much _____ (exciting) the one we saw yesterday.
3 The Apollo Theatre is a bit _____ (far) the cinema, so we should take a bus to get there.
4 Horror films are not _____ (popular / as) comedy films.

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6 Complete the second sentence so it has a similar meaning to the first. Use the word in capitals.

Of course, for younger listeners, rap is more popular than opera. **POPULAR**
Of course, for younger listeners, opera is not as popular as rap.

1 The actor is not as short as he looks in his films. **BIT**
The actor _____ than he looks in his films.
2 Henry's poem is longer than Bethany's. **LONG**
Bethany's poem _____ Henry's.
3 I don't know anyone more intelligent than Miko. **INTELLIGENT**
Miko is the _____ girl I know.
4 The screens in Central Cinema aren't as big as the screens in Empire Cinema. **THAN**
The screens in Central Cinema _____ _____ the screens in Empire Cinema.
5 There isn't a photograph more beautiful than the one of the snowy mountains. **BEAUTIFUL**
The photograph of the snowy mountains _____ .
6 It's far noisier in the library at lunchtime. **MUCH**
When it's not lunchtime, it _____ in the library.

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