

Vocabulary

At the cinema, on TV

1 Choose the correct alternatives.

I love watching TV! I'm a big fan ¹ *off/on* soap operas. One minute, they're making ² *me/my* laugh at some hilarious scene and the next minute I'm ³ *on/in* tears because they're killing ⁴ *on/off* my favourite character! I really don't like talent shows, though. Watching somebody get voted ⁵ *on/off* each week isn't my idea of fun. It's enough to get me to switch ⁶ *over/on*.



2 Match definitions 1–8 with the words in the box.

blockbuster dialogue ending episode filming
scene series special effects

- a single part of action that happens in one place
_____ scene _____
- a set of episodes _____
- parts of a TV series/film created by computer

- the final part of a TV series/film _____
- a conversation in a TV series/film _____
- one part of a TV series _____
- the process of recording the action onto film

- a film that makes a lot of money _____

3 Replace the words in bold in the sentences with words in the box so that the meaning stays the same.

characters dull hilarious is a fan of tense
useless

- I felt **worried** when I watched the characters have a fight.
_____ tense _____
- This TV programme is **so funny**! _____
- I think that cookery programmes are **boring**. _____
- The singer was **very bad** and got voted off in the first week. _____
- He **really likes** the new drama series. _____
- The **people in the TV series** are awful! _____

Grammar

Passive

4 Put the words in the correct order to make sentences.

- at / shown / The / Wednesday / 8 p.m. / is / series / every
_____ *The series is shown every Wednesday at 8 p.m.* _____
- done / the studio / The / were / special effects / in

- Famous / this / get made / TV programmes / in / studio

- are being / more / used to be / Actors / paid / than / they

- had been / one / was cancelled / Only / episode / made / before / the series

- cut / This / the episode / scene / is going / from / to be

- filmed / Europe / The / series / new / will / in / be

- has been / weeks / This / two / in / produced / episode

5 Rewrite the sentences in the passive form.

- People make many new TV programmes every year.
_____ *Many new TV programmes are made every year.* _____
- People had offered the actor lots of parts before this one.

- Someone produced this TV programme very well.

- People pay some actors millions of dollars for every film.

- Someone is going to kill off that character in the next episode.

- Someone has cut up this episode into short scenes.

- People are filming that scene at the moment.

- Millions of people will use the new streaming service next year.
