VOCABULARY Talking about films and shows

1 Match the sentence halves.

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1 A **character** is
2 A **clip** is
3 A **plot** is
4 A **review** is
5 A **series** is
6 A **soundtrack** is
7 A **trailer** is

a a small part taken from a longer film or show.
b a report with an opinion of a film or show.
c the story in a film or show.
d a short video advertising a new film or show.
e a part which an actor plays.
f the music used in a film or show.
g individual programmes that use the same characters in different situations.

2 Complete the sentences with words from Exercise 1.

1 Homer is my favourite _____ in *The Simpsons*.
2 There's a new comedy _____ on tonight that I haven't watched, but there are _____ of the funniest scenes online.
3 Nothing happens in this film. The _____ is really boring.
4 Have you read any _____ of the new Marvel film? – No, but I've watched a _____ for it. It looks amazing.
5 The _____ has some great songs on it.

3 Discuss the questions.

1 Who's your favourite film or TV show character?
2 Do you read reviews before you choose a film to watch? Where?

4 In pairs, write a few sentences about the words in the box, without actually using the words.

~~clip~~	character	plot	review
series	soundtrack	trailer	

Example: clip
This is a short video that comes from a longer show or film.
You can watch it on your phone or on your computer.
Usually they show the best parts of a show or film.

Take turns to read your sentences to other pairs of students. How quickly can they guess the word?

A: *This is a short video that comes from a longer show or film.*
B: *Is it a trailer?*
A: *No. You can watch it on your phone or …*
B: *Is it a clip?*
A: *Yes!*

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LISTENING

68 **1** **Look at the list of film and TV genres. Listen to six conversations and write the conversation number next to the genre. (There is one genre that you don't need.)**

a ___ comedy
b ___ documentary
c 1 horror film
d ___ period drama
e ___ reality show
f ___ the news
g ___ science fiction

2 **Read the questions and possible answers in the exam task in Exercise 3.**

68 **3** **Listen to the six conversations again. For each question, choose the correct answer.**

1 You will hear two friends talking about a film.
What do they say about it?
A The reviews of it are rather negative.
B They are too young to see it.
C Someone they know found it hard to follow.

2 You will hear two friends talking about reality shows.
What annoys the girl about reality TV stars?
A They get paid too much.
B They behave badly in public.
C They are boring to listen to.

3 You will hear two friends talking about taking part in a short film.
The boy is unlikely to appear in the film because
A he didn't see the information about it.
B he doesn't want to go to the meeting about it.
C the producer won't pay people who appear in it.

4 You will hear two friends talking about a sci-fi film they've seen.
They agree that
A the creature was scary.
B the film was too long.
C the soundtrack was excellent.

5 You will hear two friends talking about the news.
They agree that
A there's too much politics in the news.
B they should stop watching the news.
C their attitudes to the news have changed.

6 You will hear two friends talking about going to the cinema.
What does the boy suggest?
A asking someone to get their tickets
B reading about the film before they set off
C seeing the last showing of the day

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1 **Add the missing vowels (a, e, i, o, u) to these film-making words.**

1 s__ __ n d t r __ c k
2 p l __ t
3 c h __ r __ c t __ r
4 r __ v __ __ w
5 t r __ __ l __ r
6 c l __ p
7 s __ r __ __ s

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2 Match the words from Exercise 1 with their meanings.

1 a number of related events in TV shows _____
2 a short part of a film _____
3 a short introduction to a film before it is released _____
4 the main events in a film's story _____
5 the music created for a film _____
6 a person in a film or TV show _____
7 a piece of writing giving an opinion about a film or TV programme _____

LISTENING

1 Read the questions and possible answers.

10 2 Listen to six conversations. For each question, choose the correct answer.

1 You will hear a girl talking to a friend about a film they've seen.
How does she feel about it?
A confused by parts of the story
B impressed by the quality of the acting
C surprised by the way music was used in it

2 You will hear a boy talking to a friend about going to a cinema.
What was he unhappy about?
A the attitude of the staff
B the range of films shown
C the behaviour of other customers

3 You will hear a boy talking to a friend.
The boy thinks he would like to be a film actor because of
A the people he would meet.
B the money he would earn.
C the attention he would receive.

4 You will hear a girl talking to her friend Peter.
What is she doing?
A complaining about something he's done
B reminding him about a promise he made
C trying to persuade him to change his mind

5 You will hear two friends talking about a television talent show.
What do they agree about?
A The judges are often too rude.
B The audience is mainly younger people.
C The performers are very brave to appear on it.

6 You will hear two friends talking about watching television.
Why has the boy decided to watch television less?
A He wants to spend more time on other things.
B He thinks many programmes are boring.
C He is keen to please his parents.

10 3 Listen again and check your answers.

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