

Unit 8 Standard Test A ★★

Listening

1 [1.09] Read the statements. Then listen and say if the statements are **true** or **false**. (10 marks)

- 1 The survey was to find the nation's favourite fifty children's books. ____
- 2 *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* has been adapted more than once for the cinema. ____
- 3 Tim Burton starred in the film as the character of Willy Wonka. ____
- 4 All of Roald Dahl's children's books appear in the survey. ____
- 5 Many of the books listed are about animals. ____
- 6 *Paddington* is the only bear to appear on the list. ____
- 7 *The Gruffalo* is about a brave mouse. ____
- 8 Judith Kerr's book is number nine on the list. ____
- 9 Lewis Carroll wrote *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland* over 150 years ago. ____
- 10 Helena Bonham Carter was the White Queen in the film. ____

Vocabulary

2 Match the definitions with the film and book genres in the box. (10 marks)

action animation comedy fantasy horror
manga musical mystery science fiction crime

- 1 a story about space travel and life on other planets: _____
- 2 a very frightening story: _____
- 3 a funny story: _____
- 4 a story set in an imaginary situation that is unlikely to happen: _____
- 5 a story full of lots of exciting adventure: _____
- 6 a story with strange events that are only explained at the end: _____
- 7 an animated Japanese adventure: _____
- 8 a cartoon film like *Toy Story*: _____
- 9 a film with lots of songs and dancing: _____
- 10 a story with criminals and detectives: _____

3 Choose the correct words. (5 marks)

- 1 Daniel Craig is the most recent **actor** / **adaptation** / **director** to play the character of James Bond.
- 2 The *Harry Potter* book series was **starred** / **directed** / **written** by J.K.Rowling.
- 3 Meryl Streep has had more Oscar **nominations** / **winners** / **stars** than any other actor.
- 4 The new *Star Wars* film was **acted** / **directed** / **awarded** by J. J. Abrams.
- 5 Most of the **writers** / **adaptations** / **winners** of this years' awards were little-known actors.

Language focus

4 Complete the sentences using the correct passive form of the verbs in the box. (10 marks)

make nominate not give show write

- 1 The script _____ by the author of the book.
- 2 When it first came out, many of the film's actors _____ for Oscars.
- 3 More Bollywood films _____ each year than Hollywood films.
- 4 The TV series _____ in Australia for the first time last year.
- 5 The actors usually _____ the script until a week before filming starts.

5 Correct the mistakes in bold in the sentences. Write the correct word. (5 marks)

- 1 Hollywood film stars are **know** by millions of people around the world. _____
- 2 The actor was **teach** to speak with a Scottish accent. _____
- 3 The animals **wasn't** harmed in any way during filming. _____
- 4 The film's director **nominated** for a special award. _____
- 5 The actors weren't **allow** to talk about the film's ending, as it was a secret. _____

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6 Write past passive questions. (10 marks)

1 what / the film / call / ?

2 who / the film / direct / by / ?

3 when / the film / make / ?

4 it / nominate for / any awards / ?

5 what / the film / base on / ?

Reading

The bloopers

Nearly any film, even a very good one, can have errors and mistakes. Here are five of the most famous.

Gladiator (2000)

During the scene of the Battle of Carthage, a chariot hits a wall and flips over. A gas container can be seen, hidden in the back.

Braveheart (1995)

Fans of actor Mel Gibson's historical drama know there are many mistakes in this film. The most famous has to be a white van that was seen in a battle scene.

Spider-Man (2002)

When Peter fires his web at his bedroom lamp and tries to pull it across the room, it smashes against the wall and breaks. But seconds later, the lamp is back in one piece.

Pirates of the Caribbean (2003)

In one scene on the deck of the ship, a cameraman appears wearing a cowboy hat.

Django Unchained (2012)

The hero of director Quentin Tarantino's film, which is set in 1858, wears a pair of sunglasses. Sunglasses weren't available in the USA until 1929.

7 Read the article. Then complete the sentences.

Write two words in each sentence. (10 marks)

1 In *Gladiator*, a chariot hits a wall and _____.

2 A _____ can be seen in a battle scene in *Braveheart*.

3 In *Spider-Man* Peter fires a web at his _____.

4 A cameraman wearing a _____ can be seen in *Pirates of the Caribbean*.

5 *Django Unchained* was directed by _____.

Communication

8 Choose the correct words. (5 marks)

A: How ¹ **about / of / to** watching *Love Actually*?

B: I don't ² **feel / fancy / want** watching that. I'd ³ **like / prefer / rather** see an adventure film.

A: You might ⁴ **want / rather / prefer** *Raiders of the Lost Ark*. It's an action adventure film.

B: I'd prefer to ⁵ **do / see / look** something else.

A: What about *The King's Speech*? It's a drama.

B: OK. It had great reviews.

Writing

9 Write a review of a film that you have seen recently. You can use the plan in the box to help you. Write 80–100 words. (10 marks)

Paragraph 1

Background: title, genre, director, actors
It stars ... It was directed by ...

Paragraph 2

Summarize the story: main characters, place, plot.

The film is about ...

The main character(s) is / are ...

Paragraph 3

Your view: why you liked it.

I enjoyed ... because ...

The thing I liked most about it was ...

Total marks:

Listening ____ / 10 Vocabulary ____ / 15

Language focus ____ / 25 Reading ____ / 10

Communication ____ / 5 Writing ____ / 10

TOTAL ____ / 75