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READING

Matching

I can understand the main points in simple descriptive text on a familiar topic.

1  1.52 Translate these types of books. Use a dictionary if necessary.

- 1 autobiography = _____
- 2 biography = _____
- 3 classic novel = _____
- 4 comic book = _____
- 5 crime novel = _____
- 6 fairy tale = _____
- 7 fantasy novel = _____
- 8 historical fiction = _____
- 9 horror fiction = _____
- 10 poem = _____
- 11 science fiction = _____
- 12 short story = _____
- 13 thriller = _____

2 **SPEAKING** Discuss your taste in books. Use the phrases and the words in Exercise 1.

- I love ... • I'm into ... • I quite like ...
- I'm not into ... • I can't stand ...

3 **SPEAKING** Read the list of comic book and film superheroes and their special superpowers. Discuss the questions.

- 1 Which superheroes have you read about/seen in films?
- 2 Which superpower would you most like to have?

SUPERHEROES AND THEIR SUPERPOWERS

Captain America never gets tired.

Batman is super intelligent.

Hulk is super strong.

X-men can mutate (change shape), control the weather or read minds.

Wonder Woman can fly and is super fast.

Spiderman can shoot spider webs from his wrists.

Iron Man is super strong, can fly and become invisible.

Superman is super strong, can fly and has X-ray vision.



Hulk

4 Read the article about superhero films and choose the best title.

- 1 It's a hard life being a superhero
- 2 Why we love superheroes
- 3 The psychology of a superhero fan

EXAM FOCUS Matching

5 Read the article again. Match questions 1–6 with paragraphs A–E that answer the questions. There is one extra question.

- 1 How do we know that superhero movies are popular?
- 2 Why are superhero movies and westerns different?
- 3 Why are superhero movies so popular?
- 4 Which superheroes had problems before becoming stronger?
- 5 What are typical storylines for superhero movies?
- 6 Which superheroes show that they are weak?

6 **SPEAKING** Discuss questions 1–6 in Exercise 5.

7  1.54 Match the words in blue in the article with the definitions. Then listen, check and repeat.

- 1 all the most popular or famous film stars, musicians, etc. = A-list
- 2 a book or film that is very good or successful = _____
- 3 the place in a theatre, cinema, etc. where tickets are sold = _____
- 4 images made using computer programs = _____
- 5 a particular type of art, writing, music, etc. = _____
- 6 an advertisement for a new film or television show = _____

8 Complete the sentences with the words in blue in the article.

- 1 One of my favourite film _____ is romantic comedy.
- 2 I don't like Hollywood _____. I prefer small-budget films.
- 3 I think the best _____ actor is Leonardo DiCaprio.
- 4 I don't think amazing special effects with _____ are as important as good acting.
- 5 I don't watch film _____ because they show all the best scenes.
- 6 The last film I saw wasn't very successful at the _____, but I thought it was good.

9 **SPEAKING** Change the sentences in Exercise 8 to make them true for you. Then compare your sentences with a partner.

WORD STORE 3E Phrasal verbs

10  1.55 Complete WORD STORE 3E with the base forms of the underlined phrasal verbs in the article. Then listen, check and repeat.