

Word of the Month: SPOOKY

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1. Read

Spooky books or films make us feel scared. Sometimes we scream, or shout, or jump in our seat. Spooky books and films are not horror stories about monsters. They are about strange happenings that we don't understand: spirits, ghosts, haunted houses.

2. Circle one word we CANNOT use to describe films. Say why not.

funny sad delicious spooky scary exciting

3. Write each adjective next to the correct storyline.

a. This film is about a family who buy a haunted house. There are ghosts in the attic.

b. This film is about an adventure in the Amazon rainforest. A group of friends hire a guide and try to find their missing teacher.

c. This film is about a boy who goes surfing one morning and never comes back. His parents never stop looking for him.

d. This film is about a plane that suddenly goes out of control. The passengers don't know what's happening.

e. This film is about a talking dog and a baby. They have so much fun together and cause lots of trouble around the house.



4. Use the Longman online dictionary. Find synonyms for all the adjectives in ex. 2.

a.

b.

c.

d.

e.

5. Write a review of your favourite film. Use these sentence prompts to help you.

My favourite film is...

It's about...

The lead actor is...

It's a great film because ù...

I would recommend it to all my friends because...

Teacher's Notes

2. Circle “delicious”. Delicious is used to describe really good food, not films.

3. Write each adjective next to the correct storyline.

a. spooky b. exciting c. sad d. scary e. funny

4. Sample answer:

a. Strange, frightening (makes you think of ghosts)

b. Dramatic

c. Tragic

d. Frightening

e. Hilarious

5. Sample answer.

My favourite film is Titanic. It's about the sinking of the famous ship on its first voyage ever, to America. The lead actor is Leonardo di Caprio. It's a great film because it's a real love story. I would recommend it to my friends because I know they like sad films.