

Topic 4 **Movies**

**1. Vocabulary**

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| <b>1. Vicariously</b>  | Vi <u>car</u> i ous ly | <b>6. Tugged</b>         | T <u>ug</u> ged               |
| <b>2. Glamorous</b>    | Glam or ous            | <b>7. Tend to</b>        | T <u>en</u> d to              |
| <b>3. Battle</b>       | Bat tle                | <b>8. Broad daylight</b> | Broad day light               |
| <b>4. Penthouse</b>    | P <u>en</u> t house    | <b>9. Role models</b>    | R <u>ol</u> e mo <u>de</u> ls |
| <b>5. Heartstrings</b> | He <u>ar</u> t strings |                          |                               |

**2. Definitions and Samples**

	Word	Form	Definition	Example	Usage Tips	Parts of Speech
1	<b>Vicariously</b>	adv	Experienced or realized through imaginative or sympathetic participation in the experience of another <a <i>vicarious</i> thrill>	As a married man, I sometimes live <b>vicariously</b> through my single friends, listening to all their stories, with a sense of nostalgia.	Very commonly preceded by “ <i>live</i> ” and followed by “ <i>through</i> ”	Vi car i ous <i>adj.</i> Vi car i ous ness <i>n.</i>
2	<b>Glamorous</b>	adj.	Full of <i>glamour</i> : excitingly attractive <a <i>glamorous</i> actress> <a <i>glamorous</i> life>	She wore a <b>glamorous</b> black gown.	Synonyms would be <i>fantastic</i> , <i>exotic</i> , <i>marvelous</i> , <i>outlandish</i> .	Glam or / Glam our <i>n.</i> Glam or ous ly <i>adv.</i> Glam or ous ness <i>n.</i>
3	<b>Battle</b>	v.	To engage in a fight (battle)	She has been <b>battling</b> against her disease for the past 5 years.	Synonyms would be <i>struggle</i> , <i>fight</i>	Bat tle <i>n.</i> Bat tler <i>n.</i>
4	<b>Penthouse</b>	n.	A structure or dwelling on the roof or top floor of a building	I looked into staying at the <b>penthouse</b> in the Westin Chosun, but it was something like 6,000 dollars a night, way out of my league.		
5	<b>Heartstrings</b>	n.	The deepest emotions or affections <pulled at his <i>heartstrings</i> >	The movie “Dancer in the Dark” really pulled at my <b>heartstrings</b> . I cried a lot while watching it.	Always found with either <i>pull</i> / <i>tug at</i> + <i>possessive pronoun</i> .	

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6	<b>Tugged</b>	v.	To pull hard	I felt someone <b>tugging</b> on my sleeve.	Synonyms would be <i>pull, haul, tow, drag.</i>	Tug ger n.
7	<b>Tend to</b>	phr v.	To exhibit an inclination or tendency / conduce <tends to be optimistic>	She <b>tends</b> not <b>to</b> look at you when she is talking, but don't let that bother you, she is a great person.	We can use <i>usually, normally</i> here too.	Ten den cy n. ( <i>have a tendency to + inf</i> )
8	<b>Broad daylight</b>	id.	Ample and obvious natural light	You don't need your flashlight (torch), it's <b>broad daylight.</b>		
9	<b>Role models</b>	n.	A person whose behavior in a particular role is imitated by others	Athletes should remember that they are <b>role models.</b>	Sometimes used with <i>look up to, copy, imitate, follow, aspire to be.</i>	

### 3. Vocabulary Practice

A. Please put the correct word into the sentences below. Please change the form when needed. Thank you.

**Tugged      Penthouse      Battle      Vicariously      Role models**

1. When I was growing up, I guess my dad was my \_\_\_\_\_. I always looked up to him and tried to copy what he did.
2. I did stay in a \_\_\_\_\_ once. It was my friends place in Florence. It was amazing. I was living the high life back then.
3. I watched people sky-diving and felt a \_\_\_\_\_ rush of excitement.
4. I felt someone \_\_\_\_\_ at me. When I turned around I saw this little kid with his hands open, asking for some money.
5. I'm really trying to \_\_\_\_\_ this cold at the moment. I have taken loads of pills, been to the doctor and everything, but it's an uphill battle.

B. Please complete the following sentences. There can only be one right answer.  
Thank you.

1. The thief \_\_\_\_\_ away with \_\_\_\_\_ diamonds \_\_\_\_\_ **broad daylight**.
2. I **tend to** \_\_\_\_\_ sappy movies.
3. I \_\_\_\_\_ never really wanted to have a **glamorous** life \_\_\_\_\_. I am happy living \_\_\_\_\_ my means.
4. Hearing the story of \_\_\_\_\_ 3 girls who \_\_\_\_\_ abducted 10 years \_\_\_\_\_ and found alive really \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ **heartstrings**.

#### 4. Reading and Video (Mp3 is available online)

##### How do movies or TV affect people?

Movies are popular because people are great watchers. They like to watch other peoples' lives. They like to live **vicariously**. By going to movies, we can escape our own lives, share other people's emotions, and imagine ourselves as someone else.

Many of our lives are not as adventurous or **glamorous** as the lives in movies. We do not **battle** evil all day long and then go back to our luxurious **penthouse** apartment. We just go to school, do our homework, eat, talk to our friends, and sleep. We need a little excitement in our lives and we find excitement at the movies.

Humans are very emotional people. We all like to cry and laugh. Fortunately, there is not much to cry about in my life so I like to go to sad movies where my **heartstrings** can be **tugged**. I also like to go to comedies so that I can laugh. I **tend to** cry and laugh more in a dark movie theater than I do in **broad daylight**.

Now I am a student, but I know someday I will be a scientist or a politician or a famous model. When I go to the movies, I can see my **role models**. I see how they act, what they wear, how they talk. I can prepare myself for the day when I will be like them.

Even though my life is quiet, I can go to the movies and watch someone else's life. I can share their emotions and their everyday life. I wonder if they would like to share mine.

## 5. Reading Practice

You have *60 seconds* to summarize the reading to your partner.

I will give you *45 seconds* to plan. Thank you.

## 6. Phrasal Verbs

These *Phrasal Verbs* are very common in relation to **Movies**.

#	Phrasal Verb	Meaning	Rule	Collocation	Example
1	<b>Sell out</b>	All tickets are sold for an event	Separable + Object	concert	I tried to get a ticket but when I rang up the office, they said the gig had been <b>sold out</b> for weeks.
2	<b>Live up to</b>	To meet someone's expectations	Inseparable + Object	expectations	That movie just didn't <b>live up to</b> my expectations. I read the reviews and was really looking forward to a good storyline, but it was terrible, so run of the mill.
3	<b>Laugh out</b>	To laugh publicly	Inseparable + No Object		I couldn't help myself from <b>laughing out</b> loud at the movies the other day, I hope I didn't upset anyone.
4	<b>Figure out</b>	To work out what something is or is about.	Separable + Object	Plot / story / sum / problem	You know, I've seen that movie twice and I still can't <b>figure out</b> what was going on.
5	<b>Be on</b>	To be showing at present, on TV, Movie Theatre...	Separable + No Object		There <b>is</b> a great documentary <b>on</b> tonight on Discovery. You should take a look at it if you can.

## 7. Phrasal Verb Practice

Please put the correct *Phrasal Verb* into the sentence below. Please change the form of the Phrasal Verb if needed.

**Be on**   **laugh out**   **figure out**   **live up to**   **sell out**

1. They have announced that tickets to the Los Angeles concert of Martin Nievera have been \_\_\_\_\_ a little over three weeks after they were released.
2. I had to \_\_\_\_\_ loud at some of the idiotic scenes in that movie.
3. It took some time for her to \_\_\_\_\_ how to juggle movie stardom, marriage and motherhood.
4. I think the movie was quite good although it didn't \_\_\_\_\_ my expectations.
5. What \_\_\_\_\_ at CGV? Ah, not Saw again, what is that...Saw number 75?

## 8. Conversation Strategies

*Tip:* Sometimes when we want more information from someone we could use **Soliciting**

### **Details.**

1. What do you mean \_\_\_\_\_?
2. Can you give me an example \_\_\_\_\_?
3. Could you tell me \_\_\_\_\_?
4. I'd be interested to know \_\_\_\_\_.
5. I'd like to know \_\_\_\_\_.
6. You said \_\_\_\_\_. What did you mean?
7. Could you explain \_\_\_\_\_?
8. What kind of \_\_\_\_\_?

**9. Conversation Strategy Practice**

Please put the correct *Solicitor* into the sentences below. Thank you.

**What do you    Could you tell me**  
**You said you    Could you give me    happened**

1. A: My brother had a car accident.
2. B: Really? What \_\_\_\_\_?
3. A: Well, he was late for work and was driving fast.
4. B: \_\_\_\_\_ mean by “fast”?
5. A: About 10 miles over the speed limit.
6. A: I had a great time during my trip to Hawaii.
7. B: \_\_\_\_\_ had a great time. \_\_\_\_\_ what you did there?
8. A: I played a lot of sports.
9. B: What kind of sports? \_\_\_\_\_ an example?
10. A: Tennis, swimming, volleyball, and surfing.

**What kind    a little more about    What kind of**  
**Why    Could you explain    I'd be**

11. A: I just bought a new car.
12. B: Great! \_\_\_\_\_?
13. A: A Ford.
14. B: \_\_\_\_\_ interested to know \_\_\_\_\_ you chose a Ford.
15. A: It had a good price and a nice color. Also, I liked the salesperson.  
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16. A: I really like fishing.
17. B: Oh? \_\_\_\_\_ fishing?
18. A: Trout fishing.
19. B: Could you tell me \_\_\_\_\_ trout fishing?
20. A: Well, first there's fly fishing.
21. B: \_\_\_\_\_ what that means?
22. A: OK. The hook looks like a fly, and the trout tries to eat it, and then...

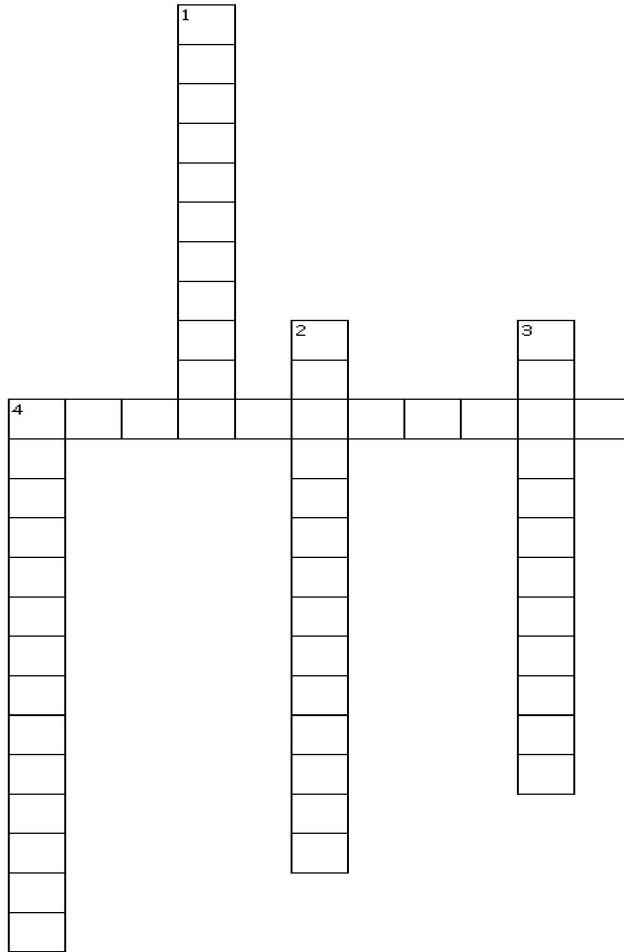
## 10. Idioms

These Idioms are very common and they are connected to **Movies**.

Idiom	Meaning	Situation	Example
To be <b>star-studded</b>	Lots of famous people in a film, play etc.	Usually we use this when we talk about a movie/musical/play/concert etc. that has many of the best or well-known people in it. Maybe lots of <u>cameos</u> too.	It was a <b>star-studded</b> event. All the top names were there.
To be <b>in the limelight</b> .	To be the centre of attention.	To be famous somewhat, celebrities always seem to want to be <b>in the limelight</b> .	Ignore her, she'd do anything to keep herself <b>in the limelight</b> .
A <b>show stopper</b>	An event that provokes such a strong reaction from ,it stops whatever's happening.	This can be used with any entertainment form, something was so good, you are left speechless.	His speech was a real <b>show stopper</b> .
To <b>steal the show</b>	To win the greatest praise and to be better than anyone else.	We can use this to talk about movies, musicals, even sport.	Her acceptance speech really <b>stole the show</b> .
<b>Same old same old</b>	The normal, usually, run of the mill, nothing new or interesting / exciting.	We use this to mock something or someone that doesn't change.	1. Did you see that Jason Statham movie? 2. Yeah, <b>same old same old</b> . He is so typecast.

## 11. Idiom Practice

Please complete the crossword below using the clues. Thank you.



### Across

4. lots of famous people appear

### Down

1. so good, one stops to think

2. the centre of attention

3. perform excellently

4. nothing new