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SYNONYM MATCH: Match the words from the article on the left with their synonyms on the right. Are your answers the same as other students’?

Paragraphs 1 and 2
1. troubled  a. chance  
2. overcome  b. numerous  
3. several  c. disturbed  
4. encouraged  d. start  
5. take up  e. persuaded  
6. break  f. get over 

Paragraphs 3 and 4
7. ended  g. caught up  
8. involved  h. acted  
9. true  i. finished  
10. appeared  j. money-making  
11. extremely  k. real  
12. commercial  l. very 

PHRASE MATCH: Match the following phrases from the article.
1. He had a troubled  a. up acting  
2. overcome  b. with celebrities  
3. several unsuccessful attempts  c. top earners  
4. encouraged him to take  d. his shyness  
5. make Depp one of Hollywood’s  e. of the past two decades  
6. He became romantically involved  f. personally interesting  
7. He finally found  g. childhood  
8. the most memorable movies  h. different  
9. All of his roles have been extremely  i. at becoming a rock star  
10. films that he finds  j. true love
LISTENING GAP FILL:

Johnny Depp was born in 1963. He had ____________ and often harmed himself ____________ shyness. He said his scars and tattoos mean his body is ____________ his life. His mother bought him a guitar when he was 12. He had several unsuccessful ____________ becoming a rock star. Years later, he played guitar on an Oasis song.

In 1983 he married Lori Allison, a Hollywood make-up artist. She introduced ____________ Nicolas Cage, who encouraged him ____________. His break came the following year with a role in "A Nightmare on Elm Street". This ____________ many successful films ____________ Depp one of Hollywood’s top earners.

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CHOOSE THE CORRECT WORD:

Delete the wrong word in each of the pairs in italics.

Johnny Depp was born in 1963. He had a trouble / troubled childhood and often harmed / harmful himself to overcome his shyness. He said his scars / scares and tattoos mean his body is like a journal of his life. His mother bought him a guitar when he was 12. He had several unsuccessful attempts at becoming a rock star. Year / Years later, he played guitar on an Oasis song.

In 1983 he married Lori Allison, a Hollywood make-up artist. She introduced him for / to the actor Nicolas Cage, who encouraged him to take down / up acting. His break came the following year with a roll / role in "A Nightmare on Elm Street". This was the first of many successful films that would to make / make Depp one of Hollywood’s top earners.

Depp’s marriage ended in / by divorce in 1985. He became romantically involved with celebrities including actress Winona Ryder and supermodel Kate Moss. He final / finally found true / truly love with French singer Vanessa Paradis. The couple have two children who Depp says have given him everything in life, including deeply / deep love. He lives with his family and makes wine in France.

Depp has appeared in some of the most memories / memorable movies of the past two decades. All of his roles have been extreme / extremely different. He played J.M. Barrie (the creator of Peter Pan), Willie Wonka, and more recently Jack Sparrow in “Pirates of the Caribbean”. He said he only choice / chooses films that he finds personally interesting and not these / those that might be a commercial success.
SPELLING:
These jumbled words are from the text. Spell them correctly.

*Paragraph 1*
1. He had a *udoelbr* childhood
2. his body is like a *ajnulro* of his life
3. several unsuccessful *esmttatp*
4. he played *triaqu* on an Oasis song

*Paragraph 2*
5. a Hollywood make-up *irttsa*
6. take up *tcagin*
7. His break came the *gloowifln* year
8. one of Hollywood’s top *anserre*

*Paragraph 3*
9. Depp’s marriage ended in *erovidc*
10. romantically *inodievv* with celebrities
11. He *ifyalln* found true love
12. given him *vregythnei* in life

*Paragraph 4*
13. some of the most *balrmeoom* movies
14. *ryxteelme* different
15. films that he finds *aleslroynp* interesting
16. commercial *ecsccsu*
PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

Number these lines in the correct order.

(1) Johnny Depp was born in 1963. He had a troubled childhood and often harmed himself to overcome his shyness. He said his scars and tattoos mean his body is like a journal of his life. His mother bought
(2) in life, including deep love. He lives with his family and makes wine in France.
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(4) him a guitar when he was 12. He had several unsuccessful attempts at becoming
(5) encouraged him to take up acting. His break came the following year with a role in "A Nightmare on Elm Street". This was
(6) love with French singer Vanessa Paradis. The couple have two children who Depp says have given him everything
(7) including actress Winona Ryder and supermodel Kate Moss. He finally found true
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(10) have been extremely different. He played J.M. Barrie (the creator of Peter Pan), Willie Wonka, and more
(11) Depp has appeared in some of the most memorable movies of the past two decades. All of his roles
(12) personally interesting and not those that might be a commercial success.
(13) recently Jack Sparrow in “Pirates of the Caribbean”. He said he only chooses films that he finds
(14) a rock star. Years later, he played guitar on an Oasis song.
(15)
SCRAMBLED SENTENCES

With your partner, put the words back into the correct order.

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2. life a his journal body of is his like

3. becoming at attempts unsuccessful several star rock a

4. him encouraged acting up take to

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7. true French Paradis found with Vanessa finally love singer He

8. the most past memorable two movies decades of the

9. of All different extremely been have roles his

10. said he only chooses films that he finds personally interesting He
JOHNNY DEPP DISCUSSION:

STUDENT A’s QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. What do you know about Johnny Depp?
2. Would you like to meet Johnny Depp?
3. What would you like to know about Johnny Depp and why?

4. ___________________________________________________
5. ___________________________________________________
6. ___________________________________________________
7. ___________________________________________________
8. ___________________________________________________

JOHNNY DEPP DISCUSSION:

STUDENT B’s QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. What did you learn from this text about Johnny Depp?
2. What questions would you like to ask Johnny Depp?
3. What would his answers be to those questions?

4. ___________________________________________________
5. ___________________________________________________
6. ___________________________________________________
7. ___________________________________________________
8. ___________________________________________________
JOHNNY DEPP SURVEY:
Write five questions about Johnny Depp in the table. Do this in pairs/groups. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper.
Without your partner, interview other students. Write down their answers.

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Return to your original partner(s) and share and talk about what you found out. Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.
WRITING:
Write about Johnny Depp for 10 minutes. Show your partner your paper. Correct each other’s work.
HOMEWORK

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google’s search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find more information about Johnny Depp. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. JOHNNY DEPP POSTER: Make a poster showing the different stages of the life of Johnny Depp. Show your poster to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all find out similar things?

4. MAGAZINE ARTICLE: Write a magazine article about Johnny Depp. Include an imaginary interview with him. Write about what he does every day and what he thinks about.
Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

5. LETTER: Write a letter to Johnny Depp. Ask him three questions about his life. Give him three suggestions on what he should do in his future. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your “Johnny Depp expert” partner(s) will try and answer your questions.
ANSWERS

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ALL OTHER EXERCISES
Look at the text on page 2.