

Conversation ▶ Now You're Talking!

Movie Buff

Exercise 1

Vocabulary

theater

Noun

/ˈθi:ətər/ a building where people go to watch a movie or a play

Let's go to the movie **theater** after dinner!

blockbuster

Noun

/ˈblækˌbʌstər/ a book or movie that is very popular or successful

I'm sure this movie will become a **blockbuster**.

trailer

Noun

/ˈtreɪlər/

an advertisement for a film or television show that presents short parts of that film or show

The latest **trailer** for "Star Wars: The Force Awakens" doesn't reveal much about the plot.

buff

Noun

/bʌf/

a person who is very passionate and knowledgeable about a particular subject

He is a baseball **buff**.

Exercise 2

Dialogue Practice

Read the dialogue aloud with your teacher.

Grace and Zach are talking about their weekend plans.

Grace



What are you planning to do this weekend?

Zach



My girlfriend and I are planning to go to a beach resort.
What about you?

Grace



I was thinking of watching a movie at the theater, but all
the tickets have been sold out already.

Zach



Really? What movie was it?

Grace



Iron Man Revolution. Have you ever heard of it?



Zach

Yes, I've watched the trailer on TV. It was really awesome. I'm sure it will turn out to be a blockbuster.



Grace

Yes, indeed. I've watched it a couple of times already. Actually, I always make a point of catching up with new movies. I like to watch new movies as soon as they are released.



Zach

No doubt you are a movie buff!



Grace

I know, right.

Check your understanding:

1. What is Grace planning to do this weekend?
2. Where did Zach hear about the movie *Iron Man Revolution*?
3. Why did Zach say that Grace was a movie buff?

Exercise 3

Listening Comprehension

Listen to your teacher read the text then choose the correct answers to the questions.

1. Who is a big movie buff?

- A. Paul loves watching movies.
- B. Paul's brother is a movie buff.

2. Does Carol like to go to the theater?

- A. She loves theaters and visits them often.
- B. Carol doesn't really like going to the theater.

3. What did Carol suggest to Paul?

- A. Carol suggested watching the movie at her home.
- B. She asked Paul to invite some more friends to go with them to the theater.

4. What did Paul ask Carol to promise him?

- A. Carol had to promise Paul that she will not be talking during the movie.
- B. Paul asked Carol not to watch the trailer before watching the movie.

Exercise 4

Role Play

Role-play the following situation with your teacher.

Situation

- You are planning to go to the theater.
- Ask your teacher to come with you.

Exercise 5

Discussion

1. What are your favorite movies?
2. Do you become emotional when watching movies? Why? Why not?
3. What kinds of movies are popular in your country?
4. Who are your favorite actors and actresses?
5. Do you think you are a movie buff? Why? Why not?
6. Do you watch American movies often? Why?