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THE LISTENING / READING SCRIPT

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Source: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Spirited_away





TRAILER AND POSTER

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POSTER

1. SIX WORDS: Look at the poster and write down six words (more if you like) that you think of as you look at it. Share the words with your partner(s). Why did you choose them?

You can find posters for this movie at www.wikipedia.com or www.imbd.com - just type the name of the movie in the search field.

2. STORY: Talk about what you think the story of the movie is – the start, beginning, end, etc. Change partners and share stories.

3. CREDITS: Look at the credits on the poster (the actors, director, producer...) and talk about them with your partner(s).

4. MUST-SEE: Talk with your partner(s) about whether the poster and movie title are good and make you want to see the movie.

5. STARRING YOU: Imagine you are one of the stars of the movie. Talk about your role with your movie star partner(s).

TRAILER

1. RETELL: Watch the trailer and retell what you saw to your partner(s).

You can watch a trailer at <http://www.youtube.com>

2. CHUNKS: Watch 10-to-15 second chunks of the trailer and retell what you saw to your partner(s).

3. QUIZ: Watch the trailer and write down some quiz questions for your partner(s). Watch a second time to find the answers to the questions.

4. VOCABULARY: Make a note of words in the trailer that you see or hear. Talk about them with your partner(s).

5. GOOD / BAD: Watch the trailer and write down why you think the film might be good or bad. Share your ideas with your partner(s).





MATCHING

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SYNONYM MATCH

- | | |
|--------------|-----------------|
| 1. fantasy | a. oversee |
| 2. moody | b. included in |
| 3. alternate | c. text |
| 4. spirits | d. sulky |
| 5. script | e. earning |
| 6. fan | f. make-believe |
| 7. supervise | g. powerful |
| 8. grossing | h. different |
| 9. fierce | i. admirer |
| 10. among | j. ghosts |

PHRASE MATCH

- | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. a 2001 Japanese animated | a. ten-year-old |
| 2. a moody | b. of Miyazaki |
| 3. trapped in an alternate | c. fearless imagination |
| 4. her parents are transformed | d. reality |
| 5. escape back | e. fantasy |
| 6. a fan | f. into pigs |
| 7. the film's North American | g. by the age of 14 |
| 8. the product of a fierce and | h. has seen before |
| 9. unlike anything a person | i. to the human world |
| 10. 50 films you should see | j. release |





LISTENING / READING GAP FILL

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Spirited Away is a 2001 Japanese (1) _____ film written and directed by Hayao Miyazaki and produced by Studio Ghibli. The (2) _____ Chihiro Ogino, a moody ten-year-old girl who, while moving to a new neighborhood, becomes trapped (3) _____ that is inhabited by spirits and monsters. After her parents are transformed into pigs by the witch Yubaba, Chihiro takes a job working in Yubaba's bathhouse to (4) _____ herself and her parents (5) _____ the human world. Miyazaki wrote the script after he decided the film (6) _____ friend's ten-year-old daughter, who came to visit his house each summer.

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CORRECT THE SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

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2. a oyomd ten-year-old girl
3. trapped in an alternate liyaret
4. inhabited by tpsiirs and monsters
5. her parents are eotrsrafdnm into pigs
6. eceasp back to the human world

Paragraph 2

7. Pixar trceidro John Lasseter
8. sepesrivu an English-language translation
9. nigorgss over \$274 million
10. the "product of a fierce and esfslrae imagination"
11. elkiun anything a person has seen before
12. gmnoa the top ten





PUNCTUATE & PUT CAPITALS IN THE TEXT

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INSERT THE VOWELS (a,e,i,o,u)

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 b_ck t_ th_ h_m_n w_rld. M_y_z_k_ wr_t_ th_ scr_pt
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MARK THE SPACES

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

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

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

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

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____





SPIRITED AWAY SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about Spirited Away in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.





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 INFO: Search the Internet and find more information about "Spirited Away". Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. MAGAZINE ARTICLE: Write a magazine article about "Spirited Away". What are (did) critics and moviegoers saying (say) about it? How good were the actors' performances? What was good and bad about the movie? Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

4. "SPIRITED AWAY" POSTER: Make a poster about "Spirited Away". Make sure you put tag lines, audience and critics' reviews, why people should see it, etc. Show it to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your posters.

5. MY PREQUEL / SEQUEL: Make your own prequel or sequel for "Spirited Away". Make sure there is a good mix of things to do. Find some good online activities. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback.

6. CHARACTER STORY: Choose one of the characters from the movie. Imagine you are that character. Write your story about what you did in the movie. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback.

7. ONLINE SHARING: Use your blog, wiki, Facebook page, Twitter stream, or any other social media tool to get opinions on "Spirited Away". Share your findings with the class.





ANSWERS

SYNONYM MATCH

- | | |
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| 7. supervise | g. oversee |
| 8. grossing | h. earning |
| 9. fierce | i. powerful |
| 10. among | j. included in |

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Please check for yourself by looking at the movie review on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)

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