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# ☐ THE LISTENING / READING SCRIPT

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Marvel Entertainment's The Avengers is a 2012 American superhero film produced by Marvel Studios and distributed by Walt Disney Pictures. It is based on the Marvel Comics superhero team of the same name. It is the sixth installment in the Marvel Cinematic Universe. The film is scripted and directed by Joss Whedon and features an ensemble cast that includes Robert Downey, Jr. and Samuel L. Jackson. In The Avengers, Nick Fury, director of the peacekeeping organization S.H.I.E.L.D., recruits Iron Man, Captain America, the Hulk and Thor to form a team that must stop Thor's adoptive brother Loki from conquering the Earth. The film includes all the usual thrills and spills expected from a superhero movie.

The Avengers premiered in April 2012 in Hollywood, California. The film received positive reviews from most film critics and set numerous box office records, including the biggest opening weekend in North America. It tied the record for the fastest film to gross \$1 billion worldwide and became the third-highest grossing film ever. The website Rotten Tomatoes wrote: "With a script that never forgets its heroes' humanity, and no shortage of super-powered set pieces, *The Avengers* lives up to its hype." Associated Press writer Christy Lemire said: "The script sparkles as brightly as the special effects; these people may be wearing ridiculous costumes but they're well fleshed out underneath."

Source: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The Avengers %282012 film%29

## **☐** 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 <a href="www.wikipedia.com">www.imbd.com</a> - 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 <a href="http://www.youtube.com">http://www.youtube.com</a>

- **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. distributed
- 2 installment
- 3. scripted
- 4. conquering
- 5. thrills
- 6. premiered
- 7. numerous
- 8. gross
- 9. sparkles
- 10. ridiculous

- a. written
- b. first performed
- c. earn
- d. circulated
- e. stupid
- f. many
- g. taking over
- h. shines
- i. part
- j. excitement

#### PHRASE MATCH

- 1. a 2012 American
- 2 The film is scripted and
- 3. features an ensemble
- 4. conquering
- 5. all the usual thrills
- 6. set numerous
- 7. the fastest film to gross
- 8. no shortage of super-
- 9. The Avengers lives
- 10. people may be wearing

- a. cast
- b. powered set pieces
- c. and spills
- d. up to its hype
- e. superhero film
- f. the Earth
- g. ridiculous costumes
- h. directed by Joss Whedon
- i. \$1 billion worldwide
- j. box office records

# ■ LISTENING / READING GAP FILL

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## CORRECT THE SPELLING

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## Paragraph 1

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- 2. It is based on the Marvel Comics <u>eusrheopr</u> team
- 3. features an ensemble cast that <u>siudecln</u> Robert Downey, Jr.
- 4. the peacekeeping organization SHIELD ertsiruc Iron Man
- 5. guenigornc the Earth
- 6. all the usual <u>srhitll</u> and spills

## Paragraph 2

- 7. The Avengers dprireeem in April 2012
- 8. The film received positive <u>sreeivw</u> from most film critics
- 9. set <u>eonrmsuu</u> box office records
- 10. the third-highest <u>sggrnsio</u> film ever
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## **PUNCTUATE & PUT CAPITALS IN THE TEXT**

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# **■** INSERT THE VOWELS (a,e,i,o,u)

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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)

# **☐** THE AVENGERS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about The Avengers 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.



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## **□** 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 "The Avengers". Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.
- **3. MAGAZINE ARTICLE:** Write a magazine article about "The Avengers". 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. "THE AVENGERS" POSTER:** Make a poster about "The Avengers". 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 "The Avengers". 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 "The Avengers". Share your findings with the class.

# ■ ANSWERS

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e. excitement

f. first performed

g. many

h. earn

i. shines

j. stupid

#### **OTHER ACTIVITIES**

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

#### **CREATIVE COMMONS**

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