

Vocabulary and speaking

Talking about books and films

1 We usually want to know some things about a book before we start reading it. Here are some answers. Write in the questions.

1 **Who wrote it?** _____
Ruth Rendell.

2 _____?
It's a psychological thriller.

3 _____?
It's about a psychologically disturbed young girl.

4 **Where and** _____?
Modern-day London.

5 _____?
A girl called Lydia and a young man.

6 _____?
No, it hasn't. But other stories by the same author have been adapted.

7 _____?
It has quite a shocking end.

8 _____?
Yes, I would – absolutely. It's a real page-turner. I couldn't put it down.

9 **What** _____ **like**?
They all said that it was a very clever story.

3.8 Listen and compare.

2 Which questions in 1 could also be asked about a film? What **extra** questions can be asked about a film?



3 Are these words connected with film, theatre or books? Write them in the correct column. Some go in more than one.

act	plot	storyline	chapter
stalls	critic	director	backstage
documentary	rehearsal	script	review
dressing room	musical	matinée	novelist
starring role	trailer	sequel	screen
blockbuster	animation	interval	fairy tale
programme	whodunnit	hardback	thriller
playwright	performance	full house	paperback
autobiography			

Films	Theatre	Books

Talking about you

4 Work in groups. Talk about films, plays or books you have seen or read recently. You can use the questions from 1 and words from 3.

Who has seen any good films lately?

I haven't been to the cinema for a while – but I'm watching a really good 'whodunnit' series on Netflix. I love thrillers.

What's it about?

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