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Superman & Batman to be in same movie

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THE ARTICLE

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The movie company Warner Bros. hopes the Superman-Batman duo will be as successful as the 2012 film "The Avengers". That movie made \$1.5 billion worldwide and successfully brought together the main characters owned by Marvel Comics. Warner Bros. and DC Comics (the owners of Superman and Batman) have spent many years trying to agree to the new film. Snyder told reporters just how great he thought the new movie would be, saying: "Let's face it, it's beyond mythological to have Superman and our new Batman facing off, since they are the greatest superheroes in the world." However, some fans are worried about the new movie. They think the story needs to be extra-special to be successful.

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WARM-UPS

1. SUPERHEROES: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about superheroes. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, decide which of these topics or words from the article are most interesting and which are most boring.

Superman / Batman / the first time / the latest / team up / actor / adventure / script / movie company / successful / worldwide / characters / superheroes / mythical

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

3. HEROES: Who are yours? Complete this table and share what you wrote with your partner(s). Change partners often.

	Who?	Why?
Family		
Friend		
Sports		
Business		
Historical		
Fictional		

4. SUPERMAN: Students A **strongly** believe Superman is better than Batman; Students B **strongly** believe Batman is better. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

5. CHARACTERS: Rank these and share your rankings with your partner. Put the best at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- Superman
- Catwoman
- Batman
- Bubbles (PowerPuff Girl)
- Iron Man
- Wonder Woman
- Spiderman
- Kim Possible

6. MOVIE: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word 'movie'. Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

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1. TRUE / FALSE: Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

- | | |
|---|-------|
| a. Two superheroes will appear in the same film for only the second time. | T / F |
| b. We can see the movie in cinemas in 2014. | T / F |
| c. The actor to play Superman also played Superman in "Man Of Steel". | T / F |
| d. The script for the movie will be written later. | T / F |
| e. The movie "The Avengers" made \$1.5 billion in the USA. | T / F |
| f. DC Comics owns the characters Superman and Batman. | T / F |
| g. A director said Superman and Batman are based on ancient myths. | T / F |
| h. Some fans are worried about the story for the new movie. | T / F |

2. SYNONYM MATCH: Match the following synonyms from the article.

- | | |
|---------------------|------------------|
| 1. ever | a. looking for |
| 2. team up | b. reveal |
| 3. expecting | c. concerned |
| 4. give away | d. greater than |
| 5. script | e. in history |
| 6. duo | f. united |
| 7. worldwide | g. screenplay |
| 8. brought together | h. globally |
| 9. beyond | i. pair |
| 10. worried | j. work together |

3. PHRASE MATCH: (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- | | |
|--|-----------------------------|
| 1. together for the | a. \$1.5 billion worldwide |
| 2. two characters are | b. secrets about the story |
| 3. Moviegoers are expecting an action- | c. face it |
| 4. he could not give away any | d. special to be successful |
| 5. the script hasn't | e. first time ever |
| 6. That movie made | f. going to team up |
| 7. spent many years | g. been written yet |
| 8. Let's | h. mythological |
| 9. it's beyond | i. packed adventure |
| 10. the story needs to be extra- | j. trying to agree |

GAP FILL

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Superman and Batman will be in the same film (1) _____ for the first time ever. The movie will be in cinemas in the summer of 2015. Zack Snyder, the director of the (2) _____ Superman movie "Man Of Steel," told reporters the news on Saturday. He said many (3) _____ of the two superheroes would be happy that the two characters are going to (4) _____ up. Henry Cavill, who starred in "Man Of Steel," will (5) _____ Superman again in the new film. The producers don't yet know which actor will play Batman. Moviegoers are (6) _____ an action-packed adventure that will be like no other superhero film. Mr Snyder said he could not give away any (7) _____ about the story because the script hasn't been written (8) _____.

expecting

secrets

fans

yet

together

team

latest

play

The movie company Warner Bros. (9) _____ the Superman-Batman duo will be as successful as the 2012 film "The Avengers". That movie made \$1.5 billion (10) _____ and successfully brought together the main characters owned by Marvel Comics. Warner Bros. and DC Comics (the (11) _____ of Superman and Batman) have spent many years trying to (12) _____ to the new film. Snyder told reporters just how great he thought the new movie would be, saying: "Let's face it, it's (13) _____ mythological to have Superman and our new Batman facing off, since they are the greatest superheroes in the world." However, some fans are (14) _____ about the new movie. They think the (15) _____ needs to be extra-(16) _____ to be successful.

owners

agree

worldwide

story

worried

hopes

special

beyond

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check

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- 1) Superman and Batman will be in the same film together for the _____
 - a. first time even
 - b. first time never
 - c. first times ever
 - d. first time ever
- 2) happy that the two characters are going _____
 - a. to tea map
 - b. to tee map
 - c. to team app
 - d. to team up
- 3) The producers don't yet know which actor _____
 - a. will ploy Batman
 - b. will ply Batman
 - c. will play Batman
 - d. will prey Batman
- 4) Mr Snyder said he could not give _____
 - a. away any secrets
 - b. away any secret
 - c. away any secretive
 - d. away any secreted
- 5) the script hasn't _____
 - a. been writing yet
 - b. been wrote yet
 - c. been written yet
 - d. been writes yet
- 6) That movie made \$1.5 _____
 - a. million worldwide
 - b. billion worldwide
 - c. trillion worldwide
 - d. quadrillion worldwide
- 7) brought together the main _____ Marvel Comics
 - a. characters owned buy
 - b. characters owned bye
 - c. characters owned by
 - d. characters owned buyer
- 8) spent many years trying _____ the new film
 - a. too agree to
 - b. to agree to
 - c. two agree to
 - d. to agree too
- 9) it's beyond mythological to have Superman and our new _____
 - a. Batman face in off
 - b. Batman face off
 - c. Batman faced off
 - d. Batman facing off
- 10) They think the story needs to be extra-special _____
 - a. to be successfully
 - b. to be full of success
 - c. to be success-filled
 - d. to be successful

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

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The movie company Warner Bros. hopes the Superman-Batman duo will be (7) _____ 2012 film "The Avengers". That movie made \$1.5 billion worldwide and successfully (8) _____ main characters owned by Marvel Comics. Warner Bros. and DC Comics (the owners of Superman and Batman) have spent many (9) _____ to the new film. Snyder told reporters just how great he thought the new movie would be, saying: "(10) _____ beyond mythological to have Superman and our new Batman facing off, (11) _____ greatest superheroes in the world." However, some fans are worried about the new movie. They think the story (12) _____-special to be successful.

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1307/130723-superman_batman.html

1. How many times have Superman and Batman been in the same film?

2. When will the movie be released?

3. What movie did Zack Snyder direct?

4. Which actor will play Batman?

5. Why are there no secrets about the story?

6. How much money did "The Avengers" make?

7. Who owns Superman and Batman?

8. What has taken many years to do?

9. Who is worried about the new movie?

10. What do some fans think about the story?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1307/130723-superman_batman.html

1. How many times have Superman and Batman been in the same film?
 - a) four
 - b) one
 - c) none
 - d) three
2. When will the movie be released?
 - a) 2015 (in the summer)
 - b) the spring of 2014
 - c) fall 2015
 - d) for Christmas 2014
3. What movie did Zack Snyder direct?
 - a) "Iron Man"
 - b) "Man Of Gold"
 - c) "Superman 7"
 - d) "Man Of Steel"
4. Which actor will play Batman?
 - a) Christian Bale
 - b) no one knows
 - c) Brad Pitt
 - d) Johnny Depp
5. Why are there no secrets about the story?
 - a) the script is locked away
 - b) only one person knows the story
 - c) there's no screenplay
 - d) everybody already knows everything
6. How much money did "The Avengers" make?
 - a) \$150,000,000
 - b) \$1,500,000,000
 - c) 15,000,000
 - d) 150,000,000,000,000
7. Who owns Superman and Batman?
 - a) Disney
 - b) Marvel Comics
 - c) Warner Bros
 - d) DC Comics
8. What has taken many years to do?
 - a) decide which superheroes
 - b) agree on the film
 - c) agree on a story
 - d) get Zack Snyder to direct
9. Who is worried about the new movie?
 - a) some fans
 - b) Zack Snyder
 - c) Warner Bros.
 - d) Marvel Comics
10. What do some fans think about the story?
 - a) it will never work
 - b) Superman must kill Batman
 - c) it needs more superheroes
 - d) it needs to be extra-special

ROLE PLAY

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Role A – Superman

You think Superman is the biggest hero. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that are wrong with their heroes. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): Batman, Spiderman or James Bond (007).

Role B – Batman

You think Batman is the biggest hero. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that are wrong with their heroes. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): Superman, Spiderman or James Bond (007).

Role C – Spiderman

You think Spiderman is the biggest hero. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that are wrong with their heroes. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): Batman, Superman or James Bond (007).

Role D – James Bond (007)

You think James Bond (007) is the biggest hero. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that are wrong with their heroes. Also, tell the others which is the worst of these (and why): Batman, Spiderman or Superman.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1307/130723-superman_batman.html

1. WORD SEARCH: Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'super' and 'hero'.

super	hero
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- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS: Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

3. GAP FILL: In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

4. VOCABULARY: Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

5. TEST EACH OTHER: Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• ever• summer• news• play• packed• script	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• duo• owned• spent• face• greatest• extra
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SUPERHEROES SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about superheroes 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.

SUPERHEROES DISCUSSION

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

- a) What did you think when you read the headline?
- b) What springs to mind when you hear the word 'superhero'?
- c) Who's better, Superman or Batman?
- d) Who is the greatest superhero ever?
- e) Do you prefer the superheroes from your culture or those from the US?
- f) Will you watch the new movie?
- g) What might the story be about?
- h) Are there enough superhero movies?
- i) Do studios make superhero movies for money or to be creative?
- j) What questions would you like to ask Batman?

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SUPERHEROES DISCUSSION

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

- a) Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
- b) What's the best superhero movie ever?
- c) Which superhero would you like to be?
- d) Who is your superhero?
- e) Do you think the new movie will be among the best superhero movies?
- f) What message do superheroes give to children?
- g) What name would you give to the new movie?
- h) Why are some fans worried?
- i) If you wrote the script, what would happen at the end?
- j) What questions would you like to ask Superman?

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. _____

MULTIPLE CHOICE - LANGUAGE

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Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|-------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|
| 1. | (a) biggest | (b) new | (c) similar | (d) same |
| 2. | (a) lasting | (b) late | (c) least | (d) latest |
| 3. | (a) club | (b) team | (c) group | (d) crew |
| 4. | (a) marred | (b) starring | (c) starred | (d) marring |
| 5. | (a) crowded | (b) jammed | (c) packed | (d) squashed |
| 6. | (a) written | (b) writing | (c) wrote | (d) writes |
| 7. | (a) trio | (b) duo | (c) neo | (d) bio |
| 8. | (a) made | (b) did | (c) had | (d) gave |
| 9. | (a) tries | (b) trying | (c) tried | (d) trial |
| 10. | (a) justly | (b) justify | (c) just | (d) justice |
| 11. | (a) on | (b) up | (c) off | (d) down |
| 12. | (a) plus | (b) increased | (c) more | (d) extra |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. the drrectoie of the latest Superman movie
2. two uerphreeoss
3. the two acstrhecra are going to team up
4. expecting an action-packed vauerdtne
5. he could not give away any ertscse
6. the iprsct hasn't been written yet

Paragraph 2

7. will be as uclsesufsc
8. That movie made \$1.5 bliolin worldwide
9. oruhtgb together
10. trying to agere
11. it's beyond ocimaolytgh
12. the story needs to be rtxae-psiclea

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

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Number these lines in the correct order.

- () about the new movie. They think the story needs to be extra-special to be successful.
- () "Let's face it, it's beyond mythological to have Superman and our new Batman facing
- () 2012 film "The Avengers". That movie made \$1.5 billion worldwide and successfully brought together the main
- () years trying to agree to the new film. Snyder told reporters just how great he thought the new movie would be, saying:
- () Superman again in the new film. The producers don't yet know which actor will play Batman. Moviegoers are
- () expecting an action-packed adventure that will be like no other superhero film. Mr Snyder said he could not give
- () The movie company Warner Bros. hopes the Superman-Batman duo will be as successful as the
- (**1**) Superman and Batman will be in the same film together for the first time ever. The movie will be in cinemas in the
- () reporters the news on Saturday. He said many fans of the two superheroes would be
- () off, since they are the greatest superheroes in the world." However, some fans are worried
- () happy that the two characters are going to team up. Henry Cavill, who starred in "Man Of Steel," will play
- () summer of 2015. Zack Snyder, the director of the latest Superman movie "Man Of Steel," told
- () characters owned by Marvel Comics. Warner Bros. and DC Comics (the owners of Superman and Batman) have spent many
- () away any secrets about the story because the script hasn't been written yet.

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

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1. 2015 of summer the in cinemas in be will movie The.

2. up Happy that the two characters are going to team.

3. actor Batman don't which play Producers know will yet.

4. an action Moviegoers - are packed expecting adventure.

5. give away any secrets about the story He could not.

6. - will successful Superman duo as The Batman be.

7. Spent many years trying to agree to the new film.

8. Let's mythological beyond it's , it face.

9. fans are worried about the new movie However , some.

10. needs story The successful be to extra-special be to.

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1307/130723-superman_batman.html

Superman and Batman will be in the *similar / same* film together for the first time ever. The movie will be *in / on* cinemas in the summer of 2015. Zack Snyder, the director of the *latest / lately* Superman movie "Man Of Steel," told reporters the news on Saturday. He said many fans of the two superheroes would be happy that the two characters are going to *club / team* up. Henry Cavill, who *starred / star* in "Man Of Steel," will play Superman again in the new film. The producers don't yet know *who / which* actor will *play / role* Batman. Moviegoers are *expected / expecting* an action-packed adventure that will be like no *other / another* superhero film. Mr Snyder said he could not give away any secrets about the story because the script hasn't been *writing / written* yet.

The movie company Warner Bros. hopes the Superman-Batman *duet / duo* will be as successful *as / was* the 2012 film "The Avengers". That movie *made / did* \$1.5 billion worldwide and successfully *bought / brought* together the main characters *owning / owned* by Marvel Comics. Warner Bros. and DC Comics (the owners of Superman and Batman) have spent *much / many* years trying to *agree / agreement* to the new film. Snyder told reporters just how great he thought the new movie would be, saying: "Let's face it, it's beyond *mythological / ecological* to have Superman and our new Batman facing off, since they are the greatest superheroes in the world." However, some fans are worried *around / about* the new movie. They think the story needs to be extra-special to be *success / successful*.

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.

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

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S_p_rm_n _nd B_tm_n w_ll b_ _n th_ s_m_ f_lm
t_g_th_r f_r th_ f_rst t_m_ _v_r. Th_ m_v_ w_ll b_ _n
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s_p_rh_r_s _n th_ w_rld." H_w_v_r, s_m_ f_ns _r_
w_rr_d b_t th_ n_w m_v_. Th_y th_nk th_ st_ry
n_ds t_b_ _xtr_-sp_c_l t_b_ s_cc_ssf_l.

PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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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 out more about superheroes. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. BATMAN & SUPERMAN: Make a poster about these two superheroes. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. BEST?: Write a magazine article about Superman and Batman. Include imaginary interviews with them. Ask them who they think is stronger.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

6. LETTER: Write a letter to Superman and Batman. Ask them three questions about being superheroes. Tell them three things they have to do to save our world. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

TRUE / FALSE (p.4)

a F b F c T d T e F f T g F h T

SYNONYM MATCH (p.4)

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|---------------------|------------------|
| 1. ever | a. in history |
| 2. team up | b. work together |
| 3. expecting | c. looking for |
| 4. give away | d. reveal |
| 5. script | e. screenplay |
| 6. duo | f. pair |
| 7. worldwide | g. globally |
| 8. brought together | h. united |
| 9. beyond | i. greater than |
| 10. worried | j. concerned |

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.8)

1. None
2. The summer of 2015
3. "Man Of Steel"
4. No one knows
5. The script hasn't been written yet
6. \$1.5 billion
7. DC Comics
8. For Warner Bros. and DC Comics to agree to the new film
9. Some fans
10. It needs to be extra-special

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.9)

1. c 2. a 3. d 4. b 5. c 6. d 7. b 8. d 9. a 10. d

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

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