

Life Intermediate Writing worksheet

Answer key

Units 1 & 2 Writing a review

1 Students' own answers

2 Positive

3 1 Australia, 2 five, 3 real-life drama

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Main focus of paragraph	Paragraph number	Example phrases
Factual information	1, 2	<i>Directed by ... The film is based on as the main character ... by the (Australian) writer ...</i>
Summary of plot	2	<i>The story follows before ... The (excellent) script ... tells the story eventually until ...</i>
Opinion	3	<i>Personally, ... I think ... In my view, ...</i>

5 1 However, the books I most enjoy are travel books. 2 This film is definitely worth seeing. 3 The director's latest film is a sci-fi thriller.

6 1 personally, 2 Unfortunately, 3 Surprisingly, 4 Of course

7 Possible answer

Factual information

- original musical
- directed by Michael Gracey
- inspired by the imagination of PT Barnum
- stars Hugh Jackman
- songs written by Benj Pasek and Justin Paul

Summary of the plot

- story of PT Barnum creating 'The Greatest Show on Earth' and the Barnum and Bailey Circus

Opinion

- a visual spectacle
- the best thing is the music, especially performance of *This is Me*
- recommended for children and adults who love music, dance and showmanship

8 *Directed by ..., The film is based on ..., The story follows ..., I can recommend the film for ...*

9 Model answer

The Greatest Showman

What makes *The Greatest Showman* stand out is that it is an original musical. Directed by Michael Gracey, the film is inspired by the imagination of PT Barnum and celebrates the beginning of show business. It stars Hugh Jackman as Barnum, and features new songs written by Benj Pasek and Justin Paul.

The musical tells the story of Barnum's struggles and successes as he creates his 'Greatest Show on Earth' and the famous Barnum and Bailey Circus.

The musical is a visual spectacle, to say the least. But, without doubt, the best thing about this film is the music, especially Settle's performance of *This is Me*. I can recommend the film for both adults and children who love music, dance and, of course, brilliant showmanship. (125 words)

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