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THE LISTENING / READING SCRIPT

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





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. based on | a. mind |
| 2. involved in | b. reflect |
| 3. heavy on | c. mixed up with |
| 4. mirror | d. passionately |
| 5. twist | e. derived from |
| 6. fiercely | f. surprise |
| 7. copycat | g. awful |
| 8. psyche | h. using a lot of |
| 9. appalling | i. chosen |
| 10. selected | j. imitation |

PHRASE MATCH

- | | |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. based on the 1996 novel | a. relationship |
| 2. leading | b. line of all time |
| 3. involved in a | c. character |
| 4. The movie is heavy | d. behaviour |
| 5. The ending has a very unexpected | e. of the same name |
| 6. debated fiercely | f. in the male psyche |
| 7. lead to copycat | g. and appalling |
| 8. It touched a nerve | h. twist to it |
| 9. critics called it irresponsible | i. on violence |
| 10. the 27th greatest movie | j. by critics |





LISTENING / READING GAP FILL

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When *Fight Club* was released, it was (7) _____ critics because of its violence. A newspaper reported: "Many loved and hated (8) _____." Some critics expressed concern that the film would lead to copycat behaviour. "The Times" said: "It (9) _____ the male psyche." Although the film's makers called *Fight Club* "an accurate (10) _____ the 1990s", some critics called it "(11) _____". In 2007, the magazine "Total Film" ranked *Fight Club* as "the greatest film of our lifetime". In the same year, *Premiere* selected Tyler Durden's line: "The first rule of fight club is you do not talk about fight club," as the 27th greatest (12) _____.





CORRECT THE SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. gnaedli character
2. his white-olcrla job
3. become odvvenil in a relationship
4. riomrr the difference
5. the value smsety of advertising
6. The ending has a very pxcdeteenu twist to it

Paragraph 2

7. it was debated ilcryeef by critics
8. Many loved and hated it in equal esuermas
9. concern that the film would lead to tccaopy behaviour
10. an accurate attrloyap of men in the 1990s
11. critics called it irresponsible and agpaipnll
12. The greatest film of our fiietlem





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)

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. _____





FIGHT CLUB SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about Fight Club 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 "Fight Club ". Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. MAGAZINE ARTICLE: Write a magazine article about "Fight Club ". 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. "FIGHT CLUB" POSTER: Make a poster about "Fight Club ". 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 "Fight Club ". 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 "Fight Club ". Share your findings with the class.





ANSWERS

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| 9. appalling | i. awful |
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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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