

Inference Questions



INFERENCE questions are about reading between the lines. Well, not literally — don't start peering at your paper — but you do need to think about what bits of the text really mean.

1. The introduction suggests that many people think 1950s America was

exciting

surprising

confusing

strange

1
mark

Circle your answer.

2. '...there's no better way to relive the 1950s lifestyle than to take a trip to a drive-in cinema.'

Is this a fact or an opinion?

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3. Read the section called 'The Origins of the Drive-in Cinema'.

How can you tell that people's cars were important to them?

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4. Read the paragraph beginning 'Drive-in cinemas were also...'

How did new technology affect drive-in cinemas? Explain your answer.

2
marks

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5. Read the section called 'Drive-in Cinemas Today'.

Find and copy a sentence which suggests that drive-in cinemas are still experiencing problems.

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6. Read the paragraph beginning 'The majority of drive-in cinemas...'

Based on this paragraph, why might drive-in cinemas be less successful in Britain?

Tick **one** box.

People don't like films as much.

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The weather is often bad.

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There are more indoor cinemas.

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Fewer people have cars.

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7. '...travel back in time and across the Atlantic without even stepping out of their cars.'

How do you think this phrase makes the reader feel about going to a drive-in cinema? Give a reason for your answer.

2
marks

Reading Raptors can answer inference questions standing on their heads. How about you?

