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Black Panther movie breaks box office records

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THE ARTICLE

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<http://www.latimes.com/entertainment/movies/la-et-mn-black-panther-reactions-20180218-story.html>
<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2018-02-18/-black-panther-posts-record-debut-for-disney-superhero-movie>

WARM-UPS

1. BLACK PANTHER: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about Black Panther. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

superhero / moneymaking / debut / million / critics / review / rare / fever / franchise / movie / role / cast / descent / pride / godsend / self-esteem / obstacles / resources

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

3. MOVIES: Students A **strongly** believe movies are very important; Students B **strongly** believe they aren't. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. SUPER HEROES: What is so good about these super heroes? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	Who were they?	Why are they heroes?
Nelson Mandela		
Malcolm X		
Maya Angelou		
Nina Simone		
Jesse Owens		
Oprah Winfrey		

5. DISNEY: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "Disney". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

6. SUPERHEROES: Rank these with your partner. Put the best superhero movies at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- Black Panther
- Superman
- The Avengers
- Batman
- Wonder Woman
- Justice League
- Spiderman
- X-Men

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|---------------|--|
| 1. box office | a. People whose job is to give or write opinions on new plays, movies, books, etc. |
| 2. records | b. The best performances of their kind, when measured against other things. |
| 3. debut | c. Roughly calculated, guessed or judged the value, number or quantity of something. |
| 4. estimated | d. The place at a cinema or theater where tickets are bought; the financial success of a movie. |
| 5. earned | e. A general title or concept used for making or selling a series of products, typically films or television shows (e.g. Star Wars movies, Harry Potter Movies, etc.). |
| 6. critics | f. The first public appearance of a new product or presentation of a new movie or play. |
| 7. franchise | g. Got money from working. |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|-----------------|--|
| 8. largely | h. A feeling of great happiness or satisfaction from one's own achievements or the achievements of others. |
| 9. cast | i. The origin or background of a person in terms of family, country or nationality. |
| 10. descent | j. Things that are in the way of (block) what you want to do. |
| 11. pride | k. Mostly. |
| 12. self-esteem | l. All of the actors taking part in a play, film, opera, etc. |
| 13. obstacles | m. Things you have that you can use to live, function or work. |
| 14. resources | n. How much you like yourself. |

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1802/180221-black-panther.html>

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

- a. Black Panther is the highest-earning movie ever. **T / F**
- b. The movie made over \$360 million on three days. **T / F**
- c. The movie scored over 95% on the Rotten Tomatoes review website. **T / F**
- d. A newspaper said the excitement was like a Star Wars movie debut. **T / F**
- e. The Black Panther has an all-black cast. **T / F**
- f. The article said cinemas requested people to wear African clothes. **T / F**
- g. CNN said the movie would make children believe in God. **T / F**
- h. The movie shows people of color can get through obstacles. **T / F**

2. SYNONYM MATCH: (The words in **bold** are from the news article.)

- | | |
|----------------------|---------------|
| 1. breaking | a. ancestry |
| 2. debut | b. made |
| 3. earned | c. score |
| 4. rating | d. character |
| 5. fever | e. barriers |
| 6. role | f. smashing |
| 7. largely | g. blessing |
| 8. descent | h. excitement |
| 9. godsend | i. premiere |
| 10. obstacles | j. mainly |

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

- | | |
|--|-----------------------------|
| 1. the film has earned over | a. franchise |
| 2. great reviews from | b. esteem of black children |
| 3. It is very rare for any movie to get such | c. role |
| 4. "Black Panther fever" took | d. cast |
| 5. the latest offering in the Star Wars | e. a high score |
| 6. an African-American in the title | f. any obstacles |
| 7. It also has a largely black | g. critics |
| 8. dressed in traditional | h. over Los Angeles |
| 9. lift the self- | i. \$361 million |
| 10. get through | j. African clothes |

GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1802/180221-black-panther.html>

The new (1) _____ movie Black Panther is breaking box office records. It is the highest moneymaking (2) _____ ever for a February film. Disney, the movie's maker, estimated that the film has (3) _____ over \$361 million in its first three days. The opening was the fifth highest-earning film ever. The movie has been helped by great reviews from (4) _____. The movie review site Rotten Tomatoes gave it a 97 per cent (5) _____. It is very rare for any movie to get such a high score. The Los Angeles Times newspaper (6) _____ Black Panther to a Star Wars movie. It said "Black Panther fever" took over Los Angeles. It added: "The film opened to the kind of fervor (7) _____ reserved for the latest offering in the Star Wars (8) _____."

rating
franchise
superhero
typically
earned
debut
compared
critics

Black Panther is the first Marvel superhero movie with an African-American in the title (9) _____. It also has a largely black (10) _____ and is directed by a black man. Many people of African (11) _____ have been showing their pride in the movie by attending movie theatres dressed in (12) _____ African clothes. CNN writer Van Jones said the film was very important. He said: "This film is a godsend that will (13) _____ the self-esteem of black children in the US and around the world for a long time." A seventh-grade student who watched the film said: "For people of (14) _____, it shows us that we can get through any (15) _____ that are thrown at us if we work together. We can also help the world by sharing our (16) _____."

descent
role
obstacles
traditional
color
resources
cast
lift

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

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- 1) The new superhero movie Black Panther is breaking _____
 - a. box office records
 - b. boxed office records
 - c. blocks office records
 - d. boxes office records
- 2) The opening was the fifth highest-_____ ever
 - a. earn in film
 - b. ear nine film
 - c. earn nine film
 - d. earning film
- 3) The movie review site Rotten Tomatoes gave it a 97 _____
 - a. per cent rate in
 - b. per cent ray tin
 - c. per cent rating
 - d. per cent ray thing
- 4) compared Black Panther to a Star Wars movie. It said "Black Panther _____
 - a. favor" took over
 - b. fever" took over
 - c. fee ever" took over
 - d. fee four" took over
- 5) the kind of fervor typically reserved for the latest offering in the Star _____
 - a. Wars French fries
 - b. Wars branch tries
 - c. Wars franchise
 - d. Wars Fran tries
- 6) the first Marvel superhero movie with an African-American in _____
 - a. the title role
 - b. the tie tall roll
 - c. the tight all role
 - d. the tie tall roll
- 7) Many people of African descent have been showing their _____ movie
 - a. proud in the
 - b. pride in the
 - c. pry din the
 - d. pudding the
- 8) He said: "This film is a godsend that will lift the _____ black children
 - a. self-esteem of
 - b. self-extreme of
 - c. self-eggs stream of
 - d. sell fledge sin of
- 9) For people of color, it shows us that we can get through _____
 - a. many abs tackles
 - b. many yobs tackles
 - c. any yobs tales all
 - d. any obstacles
- 10) We can also help the world by sharing _____
 - a. hour resources
 - b. our re-sauces
 - c. our resources
 - d. our resource is

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

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COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1802/180221-black-panther.html>

1. For what month did Black Panther break records?
2. How long did it take for Black Panther to make over \$361 million?
3. What score did the Rotten Tomatoes website give Black Panther?
4. What did a newspaper say took over Los Angeles?
5. What movie franchise did the LA Times compare Black Panther to?
6. What did the article say about the cast of Black Panther?
7. What did many people wear to movie theatres?
8. Who is Van Jones?
9. What grade student commented about Black Panther?
10. What did a student say people of color could get through?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1802/180221-black-panther.html>

- 1) For what month did Black Panther break records?
 - a) November
 - b) February
 - c) January
 - d) December
- 2) How long did it take for Black Panther to make over \$361 million?
 - a) one weekend
 - b) one day
 - c) 12 hours
 - d) three days
- 3) What score did the Rotten Tomatoes website give Black Panther?
 - a) 100%
 - b) 79%
 - c) 97%
 - d) 87%
- 4) What did a newspaper say took over Los Angeles?
 - a) Black Panther fever
 - b) journalists
 - c) Black Panther fans
 - d) a university
- 5) What movie franchise did the LA Times compare Black Panther to?
 - a) Harry Potter
 - b) Star Wars
 - c) James Bond
 - d) X-Men
- 6) What did the article say about the cast of Black Panther?
 - a) it was a largely black cast
 - b) it was an all-male cast
 - c) everyone was brilliant
 - d) they were all superheroes
- 7) What did many people wear to movie theatres?
 - a) cat suits
 - b) black clothes
 - c) traditional African clothes
 - d) jeans
- 8) Who is Van Jones?
 - a) a CNN writer
 - b) an actor
 - c) a movie critic
 - d) a movie director
- 9) What grade student commented about Black Panther?
 - a) third
 - b) fifth
 - c) sixth
 - d) seventh
- 10) What did a student say people of color could get through?
 - a) life
 - b) crowds
 - c) obstacles
 - d) anything

ROLE PLAY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1802/180221-black-panther.html>

Role A – Black Panther

You think Black Panther is the best superhero movie. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their movies. Also, tell the others which is the least heroic of these (and why): Superman, Wonder Woman or X-Men.

Role B – Superman

You think Superman is the best superhero movie. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their movies. Also, tell the others which is the least heroic of these (and why): Black Panther, Wonder Woman or X-Men.

Role C – Wonder Woman

You think Wonder Woman is the best superhero movie. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their movies. Also, tell the others which is the least heroic of these (and why): Superman, Black Panther or X-Men.

Role D – X-Men

You think X-Men is the best superhero movie. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their movies. Also, tell the others which is the least heroic of these (and why): Superman, Wonder Woman or Black Panther.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

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

box	office
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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">• highest• estimated• opening• helped• rare• latest	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• title• largely• dressed• lift• student• help
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BLACK PANTHER SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about Black Panther 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.

BLACK PANTHER DISCUSSION

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

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'superhero'?
3. What do you know about the Black Panther?
4. What do you think of Disney movies?
5. What is the best superhero movie ever?
6. Would you like to be a movie critic?
7. What's the best movie you've ever seen at the cinema?
8. How important are superhero movies?
9. What do you think of Star Wars movies?
10. Is it better to watch a movie at home or at the cinema?

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BLACK PANTHER DISCUSSION

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

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'movie'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. Why aren't there more movies with largely black casts?
15. Should we all go to movie theatres dressed up?
16. Why might this film "lift the self-esteem of black children"?
17. Would you like to see Black Panther?
18. Who is your favourite actor, and why?
19. What obstacles have you got through?
20. What questions would you like to ask the movie's producer?

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. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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

- | | | | | |
|-----|---------------|-----------------|---------------|----------------|
| 1. | (a) break | (b) breaks | (c) broken | (d) breaking |
| 2. | (a) earnings | (b) earning | (c) earns | (d) earned |
| 3. | (a) event | (b) ever | (c) even | (d) every |
| 4. | (a) renews | (b) reduce | (c) reviews | (d) residues |
| 5. | (a) illness | (b) sickness | (c) fever | (d) disease |
| 6. | (a) typically | (b) typical | (c) typify | (d) typicality |
| 7. | (a) roll | (b) role | (c) rule | (d) rile |
| 8. | (a) descent | (b) descant | (c) decent | (d) descendant |
| 9. | (a) godlike | (b) godsend | (c) godless | (d) godly |
| 10. | (a) top | (b) height | (c) lift | (d) up |
| 11. | (a) tentacles | (b) receptacles | (c) obstacles | (d) spectacles |
| 12. | (a) shared | (b) shard | (c) shares | (d) sharing |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. the highest moneymaking duebt
2. emsetitda that the film has...
3. drneae over \$361 million
4. helped by great isverew from critics
5. lapylycti reserved for the latest offering
6. the Star Wars rcseihnaf

Paragraph 2

7. the first Marvel erohepusr movie
8. people of African estdcen
9. dressed in ntoiraiatld African clothes
10. lift the self-teseme of black children
11. any sastelboc that are thrown at us
12. sharing our sucosrere

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

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Number these lines in the correct order.

- () pride in the movie by attending movie theatres dressed in traditional African clothes. CNN writer Van Jones said
- () Black Panther is the first Marvel superhero movie with an African-American in the title role. It also has a largely black
- () rare for any movie to get such a high score. The Los Angeles Times newspaper compared Black Panther
- () to a Star Wars movie. It said "Black Panther fever" took over Los Angeles. It added: "The film
- () are thrown at us if we work together. We can also help the world by sharing our resources."
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- () watched the film said: "For people of color, it shows us that we can get through any obstacles that
- () cast and is directed by a black man. Many people of African descent have been showing their
- () children in the US and around the world for a long time." A seventh-grade student who

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

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1. is It debut highest ever . the moneymaking
2. fifth opening the film . The highest-earning was
3. by The reviews . great movie been has helped
4. for high any movie score . a Rare get to
5. Star Wars offering the in latest The franchise .
6. also It largely a black has cast .
7. theatres dressed Attending clothes traditional African in
8. children . the of self-esteem Lift black
9. can us through . that shows get It we
10. sharing resources . by Help world our the

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1802/180221-black-panther.html>

The new superhero movie Black Panther is *broken* / *breaking* box office records. It is the highest moneymaking *debut* / *debuted* ever for a February film. Disney, the movie's maker, *estimate* / *estimated* that the film has earned over \$361 million in its first three days. The opening was the fifth highest-earning film *even* / *ever*. The movie has been helped by great reviews from *criticism* / *critics*. The movie review site Rotten Tomatoes gave it a 97 per cent *rotten* / *rating*. It is very *rare* / *rate* for any movie to get such a high score. The Los Angeles Times newspaper *compared* / *comparison* Black Panther to a Star Wars movie. It said "Black Panther fever" took *under* / *over* Los Angeles. It added: "The film opened to the kind of fervor typically reserved for the latest *offer* / *offering* in the Star Wars franchise."

Black Panther is the first Marvel superhero movie with an African-American in the title *roll* / *role*. It also has a largely black cast and is *direction* / *directed* by a black man. Many people *for* / *of* African descent have been showing their *proud* / *pride* in the movie by attending movie theatres dressed *in* / *on* traditional African clothes. CNN writer Van Jones said the film was very important. He said: "This film is a godsend that will *drop* / *lift* the self-esteem of black children in the US and around the *worldwide* / *world* for a long time." A seventh-grade student who *watched* / *looked* the film said: "For people of color, it shows us that we can get *through* / *though* any obstacles that are thrown at us if we work together. We can also help the world by *share* / *sharing* our resources."

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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T h _ n _ w s _ p _ r h _ r _ m _ v _ _ B l _ c k P _ n t h _ r _ s b
r _ _ k _ n g b _ x _ f f _ c _ r _ c _ r d s . I t _ s t h _ h _ g h _ s t
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PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1802/180221-black-panther.html>

the new superhero movie black panther is breaking box office records it is the highest moneymaking debut ever for a february film disney the movies maker estimated that the film has earned over 361 million in its first three days the opening was the fifth highestearning film ever the movie has been helped by great reviews from critics the movie review site rotten tomatoes gave it a 97 per cent rating it is very rare for any movie to get such a high score the los angeles times newspaper compared black panther to a star wars movie it said black panther fever took over los angeles it added the film opened to the kind of fervor typically reserved for the latest offering in the star wars franchise

black panther is the first marvel superhero movie with an africanamerican in the title role it also has a largely black cast and is directed by a black man many people of african descent have been showing their pride in the movie by attending movie theatres dressed in traditional african clothes cnn writer van jones said the film was very important he said this film is a godsend that will lift the selfesteem of black children in the us and around the world for a long time a seventhgrade student who watched the film said for people of color it shows us that we can get through any obstacles that are thrown at us if we work together we can also help the world by sharing our resources"

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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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: Search the Internet and find out more about this news story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. BLACK PANTHER: Make a poster about the Black Panther movie. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. SUPERHERO: Write a magazine article about the Black Panther and other superheroes. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against them.

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 an expert on Black Panther. Ask him/her three questions about the superhero. Give him/her three of your opinions on superheroes. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

VOCABULARY (p.4)

1. d 2. b 3. f 4. c 5. g 6. a 7. e
8. k 9. l 10. i 11. h 12. n 13. j 14. m

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

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

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

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| 1. breaking | a. smashing |
| 2. debut | b. premiere |
| 3. earned | c. made |
| 4. rating | d. score |
| 5. fever | e. excitement |
| 6. role | f. character |
| 7. largely | g. mainly |
| 8. descent | h. ancestry |
| 9. godsend | i. blessing |
| 10. obstacles | j. barriers |

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

1. February
2. Three days
3. 97%
4. Black Panther fever
5. Star Wars
6. It was a largely black cast
7. Traditional African clothes
8. A CNN writer
9. A seventh-grade student
10. Any obstacles

WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.20)

1. It is the highest moneymaking debut ever.
2. The opening was the fifth highest-earning film.
3. The movie has been helped by great reviews.
4. Rare for any movie to get a high score.
5. The latest offering in the Star Wars franchise.
6. It also has a largely black cast.
7. Attending theatres dressed in traditional African clothes.
8. Lift the self-esteem of black children.
9. It shows us that we can get through.
10. Help the world by sharing our resources.

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

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

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

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