

- 1** A: Have you ever heard of the US TV show *The Amazing Race*?
B: No, I haven't. What kind of show is it?
A: It's a reality show.
B: What do the contestants have to do?
A: They have to race around the world and complete different tasks on the way.
B: What kind of tasks do they have to complete?
A: All kinds. Some are ordinary, some are personal, some are disgusting and some are dangerous.
B: What's different about *The Amazing Race*?
A: The contestants are in pairs and they know each other.
B: What makes the show successful?
A: The pairs of contestants have to work together, so sometimes they argue when they get stressed, and sometimes they come together, just like in real life.
B: That sounds interesting. I'd like to see that.

- 2** A: What are your parents like? Are they strict?
B: Yes, they don't let me stay out late during the week.
A: What time do you have to be home?
B: I'm not allowed to be out after nine o'clock.
A: Do they make you do housework?
B: Yes, I have to make my bed and tidy my bedroom.
A: Do they let you listen to music in your bedroom?
B: Yes, I can listen to anything I want to, but I mustn't have the volume up high.
A: My parents make me use headphones when I listen to music.
B: My parents make me do my homework before they let me watch TV.

- 3** A: Did you have a good holiday?
B: Yes, it was absolutely fantastic.
A: Tell me about New York.
B: It's really huge and the museums and art galleries are fascinating.
A: Did you do a lot of different things?
B: Yes, we were out all day. We were exhausted in the evenings.
A: Did you see any theatre?
B: We saw one comedy. It was hilarious.
A: What about the weather? Was it cold?
B: Cold? It was about minus 5°C most days. It was absolutely freezing.
A: Oh dear! That's too cold for me.

- 4** A: Would you like to be famous?
B: Of course. All teenagers want to be famous.
A: I don't agree. I think it would be terrible to be famous.
B: I think it would be fantastic if you're famous for doing something really well.
A: But everyone would know everything about your life.
B: Yes, that can be hard. But most of the teenagers I know would like to be famous for a short time.
A: But you mustn't think that becoming famous is easy. You have to work really hard.
B: It depends. Some people get famous overnight.
A: Yes, but they don't stay famous for very long. After six months everyone's forgotten them.
B: They've probably made a lot of money in the meantime.