

Listening & Vocabulary

TV programmes

- a** Write down the name of a TV programme that you really like and one that you hate.

b Read out the programmes but do not say which is which. The other students guess whether you like or hate the programme.
- Check you understand the *Words2know*. Think of an example of each type of programme from TV in your country.

Words 2 know (4.20)

advert reality show cookery programme
comedy series soap opera weather forecast
sports programme cartoon documentary
quiz show news

- (4.21) Listen to four extracts from TV programmes. What types of programme are they?

A _____ B _____
C _____ D _____
- (4.21) Listen again and choose the correct answers.

A

 - Which ingredients are necessary for Frittata?
a cheese b oil c onions
d potatoes e eggs f tuna
g peppers h tomatoes
 - Where was Mrs Gray last night?
a at the hospital b with a friend
c with her husband, John
 - How does Marianne feel about this?
a angry b interested c sad

C

 - This is an advert for:
a a dentist b a health club
c toothpaste

D

 - Jenny is talking to:
a her boyfriend b her father
c someone called Jeremy
 - She's just come back from:
a a date b a party c school

- a** Divide the programmes in the *Words2know* into three categories.

 - There are too many programmes like this on TV: *cartoons*
 - There aren't enough programmes like this on TV:
 - There are the right number:

b Compare answers with other students. Which types of programme do you like best?

ff *I think there are too many soap operas. To me, there aren't enough sports programmes. I like cartoons best.*

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Grammar Focus

Past simple and present perfect passive

- Look at the photos and answer the questions.
 - What kinds of TV programme do the photos show?
 - Do you ever watch programmes like this?
- SCANNING Work in pairs. Read the text and find the information below. Which pair finished first?

 - the date of the first *Doctor Who*
23 November 1963
 - the name of the person who created *Pop Idol*
 - the year of Princess Diana's funeral
 - the number of British people who watched the 1966 World Cup Final
 - the day of the week that *Doctor Who* is shown
 - the year of the first episode of *The Simpsons*

a Which sentences below are active (A) and which are passive (P)? Which tenses are they in?

 - Pop Idol* began in 2001.
 - Doctor Who* was shown for the first time in 1963.
 - The cartoon has been sold all over the world.
 - A new version of the programme has appeared.

b Read *Grammar2know* and check. Find more examples of the past simple and present perfect passive in the text.

Records and Fantastic Facts ... from the world of TV (4.23)



MOST POPULAR TV SHOW

Pop Idol was originally a British television series and was first shown in October 2001. Viewers voted for their favourite new pop singer and the winners often sold millions of records! The idea was created by Simon Fuller - now one of Britain's richest men. Different versions of *Pop Idol* have been made all over the world, including *American Idol* and *Indian Idol*.

MOST WATCHED TV BROADCAST

The England-Germany final of the 1966 World Cup was the most watched broadcast in British history. It was watched by 32.3 million Britons. 32.1 million watched the funeral of Diana, Princess of Wales, in 1997.



MOST SUCCESSFUL CARTOON

The Simpsons first appeared on US TV in 1987 and since then it has been shown all over the world. In fact, Bart Simpson is probably the most famous face on the planet! But creator Matt Groening invented the cartoon family in just fifteen minutes because the characters were based on his own family!

LONGEST RUNNING TV SHOW

Every British adult remembers watching the science fiction drama *Doctor Who* as a child. It was first shown on Saturday, 23 November 1963 and was a favourite for many years. Now, a new version has appeared and *Doctor Who* is again Britain's most popular Saturday night show. It is also popular in Australia and the USA, and has been sold to TV companies all over the world. So it's probably showing on a TV near you!



- Put the verbs in the correct form of the passive. Then choose the correct information to complete the sentence. If you don't know, guess!

Past simple passive

- 'The Lord of the Rings' books (write) by J.R.R. Tolkien/C.S. Lewis/J.K. Rowling.
'The Lord of the Rings' books were written by J.R.R. Tolkien.
- The 'Star Wars' films (direct) by George Lucas/Alfred Hitchcock/Steven Spielberg.
- The first 'Harry Potter' book (publish) in 1977/1987/1997.
- The most successful film in history, *Titanic*, (release) in 1992/1997/2002.

Present perfect passive

- Five/Six/All of the 'Harry Potter' books (make) into films.
- The Bible (translate) into 500/2000/5000 languages and dialects.
- Over 10 million/80 million/100 million copies of the 'Lord of the Rings' books (sell) around the world.

- (4.22) Compare answers with a partner. Then listen and check.

ff *I think the 'Star Wars' films were directed by Steven Spielberg but I'm not sure.*

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Grammar 2 know

Past simple passive

Form: *was/were* + past participle

+ *It was shown ...* *They were shown ...*
- *It wasn't shown ...* *They weren't shown ...*
? *Was it shown ...?* *Were they shown ...?*
When was it shown?

Present perfect passive

Form: *have/has been* + past participle

+ *It has been sold ...* *They have been sold ...*
- *It hasn't been sold ...* *They haven't been sold ...*
? *Has it been sold?* *Have they been sold?*
Who has it been sold to?