

# 28 Telling a story

You can use “about” to describe the subject matter of movies, shows, and stories. Use adjectives to make a description more specific.

✿ **New language** “About,” opinions

**Aa Vocabulary** Opinions

✿ **New skill** Describing media and culture

## 28.1 KEY LANGUAGE USING “ABOUT” TO DESCRIBE MEDIA AND CULTURE

Use “about” to give more information about a movie, play, show, story, or book.



**It's a movie**



**It's a story**



**The play is**



**about**



**a mystery.**  
**a lawyer.**  
**two brothers.**

This introduces what the subject matter of the story is.

This is the additional information on the story.



## 28.2 FURTHER EXAMPLES USING “ABOUT” TO DESCRIBE MEDIA AND CULTURE

The movie is a thriller **about** two New York police officers.



It's a story **about** a young couple in the countryside.



The book is **about** a French city during the 1920s.

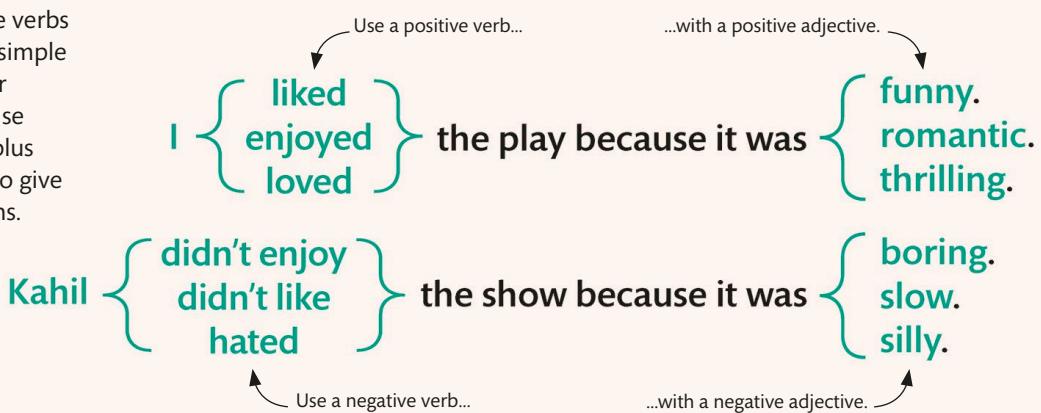


## 28.3 LISTEN TO THE AUDIO AND NUMBER THE MOVIES IN THE ORDER THEY ARE DESCRIBED



## 28.4 KEY LANGUAGE DESCRIBING YOUR OPINIONS

You can use verbs in the past simple to give your opinions. Use "because" plus adjectives to give your reasons.



## 28.5 LISTEN TO THE AUDIO AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS



Two friends discuss the play they've just seen.

Chrissy enjoyed the play.

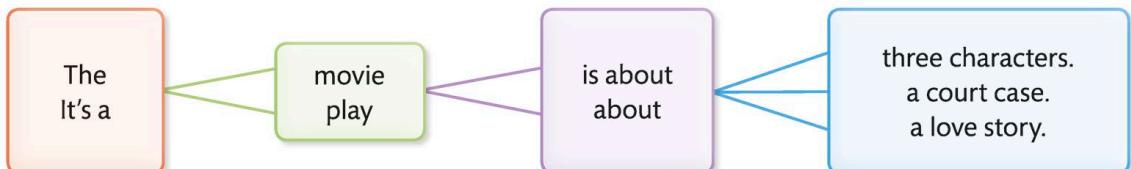
True  False

- 1 Jack hated it.  
True  False
- 2 The story was exciting.  
True  False
- 3 The actors were good.  
True  False
- 4 The villain was scary.  
True  False
- 5 The hero was brave.  
True  False
- 6 The music was great.  
True  False



## 28.6 USE THE CHART TO CREATE 12 CORRECT SENTENCES AND SAY THEM OUT LOUD

The movie is about three characters.





## 28.7 READ THE REVIEW AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS

What type of show is it?

It is a musical.

1 What does Millie enjoy?

2 Where does she learn to sing?

3 What is the name of her music teacher?

4 Who is the villain?

5 Is Millie played by an adult?

### STAGE REVIEW

# Millie's Magic!

The latest show in town is a hit

Millie's Magical Music is a wonderful new show. The story is about a little girl called Millie. She loves singing. In her bedroom, she listens to songs and learns how to sing them. At school, she has a kind English teacher called Miss Graham and a terrible music teacher called Miss Cafferty, who is the villain of the story. Both Miss Graham and Miss Cafferty hear Millie's beautiful voice. Miss Graham wants everyone to hear Millie, but Miss Cafferty wants to stop her singing.

It's an enjoyable story about music, friendship, and hope.

Many of the actors in this musical are children and they are all excellent, especially Millie. The songs in the musical are very good, too.

I really liked the music. It's a hit!



## 28.8 REWRITE THESE SENTENCES USING NEGATIVE WORDS

The musical was **wonderful**.

The musical was **awful**.

1 Millie **loves** singing.

2 Millie has **beautiful** costumes.

3 Many of the actors were **excellent**.

4 The songs are very **good**.

5 I really **loved** the music.

bad

hated

awful

hates

terrible

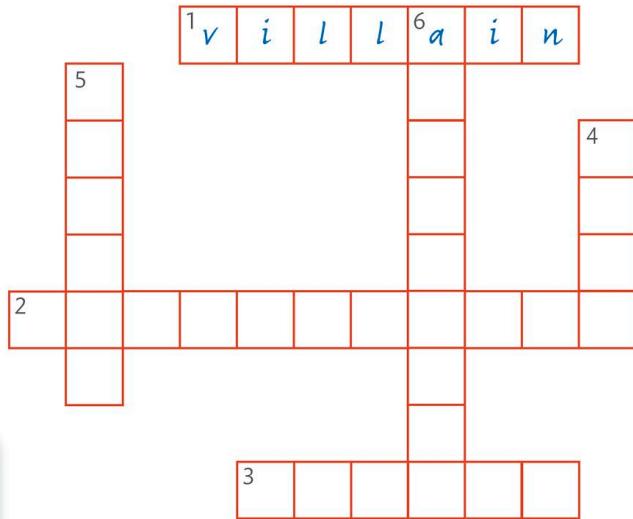
ugly



**Aa****28.9** READ THE CLUES AND WRITE THE ANSWERS IN THE GRID

- 1 The bad guy, the hero fights this person
- 2 A true story with real people, not actors
- 3 A funny story that makes people laugh
- 4 A story told in a theater
- 5 A person who writes novels
- 6 An exciting story

adventure      author      play  
 comedy      **villain**      documentary

**28** **CHECKLIST**
 "About," opinions 
**Aa** Opinions 

 Describing media and culture 
**REVIEW THE ENGLISH YOU HAVE LEARNED IN UNITS 21-28**

NEW LANGUAGE	SAMPLE SENTENCE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	UNIT
WRITING AND SAYING DATES	His birthday is on <b>May 10</b> . My meeting is on <b>the 18th of May</b> .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>21.1, 21.2</b>
"TO BE" STATEMENTS AND QUESTIONS ABOUT THE PAST	<b>She was</b> a student in 1985. <b>Was he</b> in India last year? <b>He wasn't</b> in France.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>22.1, 22.7, 22.8</b>
REGULAR VERBS IN THE PAST SIMPLE	I <b>visited</b> Luke last Friday. I <b>didn't play</b> tennis.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>23.1</b>
USING "COULD" FOR PAST ABILITIES	I <b>could</b> climb trees when I was younger.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>24.1</b>
IRREGULAR VERBS IN THE PAST SIMPLE	I <b>went</b> to the movies last night. I <b>didn't go</b> last week.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>26.1</b>
GIVING OPINIONS ABOUT CULTURE	It's a movie <b>about</b> two brothers. I <b>enjoyed</b> it because <b>it was</b> thrilling.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>28.1, 28.4</b>