THE READING / TAPESCRIP'T

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SYNONYM MATCH: Match the words from the article on the left with their synonyms on the right. Are your answers the same as other students’?

Paragraphs 1 and 2
1. fame  a. reaching
2. heavily  b. evaluating
3. achieving  c. stardom
4. dropped out of  d. turned out
5. analyzing  e. a lot
6. proved  f. left

Paragraphs 3 and 4
7. encouraged  g. successes
8. instantly  h. justified
9. hits  i. urged
10. combined  j. best
11. confirmed  k. immediately
12. elite  l. mixed

PHRASE MATCH: Match the following phrases from the article.

1. He is known for his stylish  a. unforgettable lines
2. His screenplays are usually full of  b. out of high school
3. He has become a cult  c. classic ‘Pulp Fiction’
4. He dropped  d. and violent movies
5. this proved to be an education  e. westerns
6. Tarantino instantly became  f. arts
7. Tarantino made his  g. in directing
8. Chinese martial  h. directors
9. spaghetti  i. director
10. one of Hollywood’s elite  j. a cult legend
LISTENING GAP FILL:

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CHOOSE THE CORRECT WORD:

Delete the wrong word in each of the pairs in italics.

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SPELLING:
These jumbled words are from the text. Spell them correctly.

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2. his quienu directing method
3. He has become a ulct director
4. superstar ttussa

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SCRAMBLED SENTENCES
With your partner, put the words back into the correct order.

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QUENTIN TARANTINO DISCUSSION:

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

1. What do you know about Quentin Tarantino?
2. Would you like to meet Quentin Tarantino?
3. What would you like to know about Quentin Tarantino and why?
4. _______________________________________________________
5. _______________________________________________________
6. _______________________________________________________
7. _______________________________________________________
8. _______________________________________________________

QUENTIN TARANTINO DISCUSSION:

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

1. What did you learn from this text about Quentin Tarantino?
2. What questions would you like to ask Quentin Tarantino?
3. What would his answers be to those questions?
4. _______________________________________________________
5. _______________________________________________________
6. _______________________________________________________
7. _______________________________________________________
8. _______________________________________________________
QUENTIN TARANTINO SURVEY:
Write five questions about Quentin Tarantino in the table. Do this in pairs/groups. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper.
Without your partner, interview other students. Write down their answers.

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Return to your original partner(s) and share and talk about what you found out. Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.
WRITING:
Write about Quentin Tarantino for 10 minutes. Show your partner your paper. Correct each other’s work.
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 more information about Quentin Tarantino. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. QUENTIN TARANTINO POSTER: Make a poster showing the different stages of the life of Quentin Tarantino. Show your poster to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all find out similar things?

4. MAGAZINE ARTICLE: Write a magazine article about Quentin Tarantino. Include an imaginary interview with him. Write about what he does every day and what he thinks about. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

5. LETTER: Write a letter to Quentin Tarantino. Ask him three questions about his life. Give him three suggestions on what he should do in his future. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your “Quentin Tarantino expert” partner(s) will try and answer your questions.
ANSWERS

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ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Look at the text on page 2.