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THE BEST OF STE

Everyone likes adventure films *Jaws*, *E.T.*, *Jurassic Park* and *Indiana Jones*. But did you know that they were all made by the same man, Steven Spielberg?

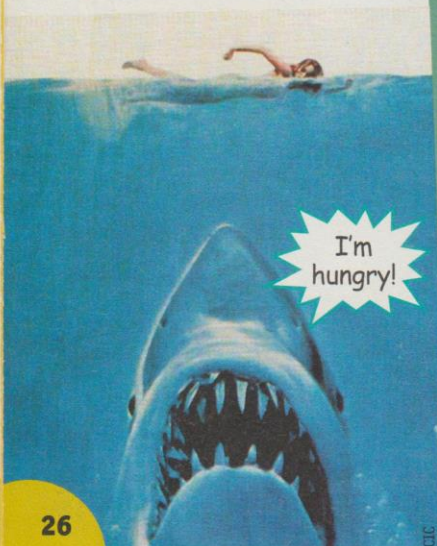
JAWS

The story of *Jaws** begins when a shark* attacks people who are on holiday on Amity Island, USA. The mayor wants the beach to stay open, so a policeman decides to investigate*. With its memorable music and suspense, *Jaws* made a generation of people scared* to go in the sea!

The film was made in 1975 when special effects were very basic. Three mechanical sharks were made for the film, and the crew* called these sharks "Bruce".

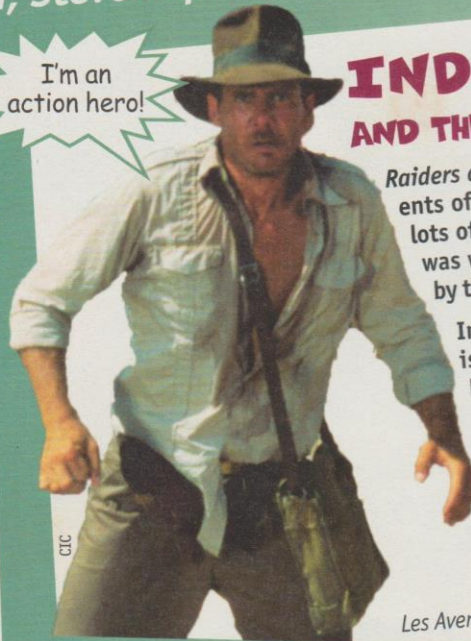
Jaws was supposed to be filmed in just 55 days, but it took 155 days. Spielberg said: "I thought my career was over*". But he was wrong ... *Jaws* became the most successful film that summer.

Les Dents de la mer (1975)



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I'm an action hero!

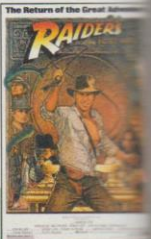


INDIANA JONES AND THE RAIDERS OF THE LOST ARK

Raiders of the Lost Ark combines typical ingredients of a Spielberg film: adventure, action and lots of humour! The film won* four Oscars and was written by George Lucas. He was inspired by the films of the 1930s and 1940s.

Indiana Jones (played by Harrison Ford) is an American professor of archaeology. He is searching for the lost ark*. But it is 1936, and the Nazis are looking for it too. With his hat, whip* and leather* jacket, Indiana Jones is a cult hero. He appears* in three other films and is one of the greatest fictional characters* in film history.

Les Aventuriers de l'arche perdue (1981)



VEN SPIELBERG

E.T. THE EXTRA-TERRESTRIAL

E.T. is often called the greatest science-fiction film of all time. It is the story of Elliot, a lonely* ten-year-old boy, who makes friends with an alien* called E.T. The alien was left* behind on Earth, and is trying to get back home ...

The film is a homage to Spielberg's childhood*. He was inspired by an imaginary friend that he created after his parents' divorce in 1960. The film is funny and sad, and has good performances from some great young actors. It is sure to make everyone in the family cry*!



E.T. l'extra-terrestre (1982)



STEVEN SPIELBERG

Director* Steven Spielberg has been making films for more than 50 years. His most successful films are science-fiction and adventure films with great special effects. When *Jaws*, *E.T.* and *Jurassic Park* came out, they captivated a generation. Each one of these films became the highest-grossing* film made at the time. This year, there is a new Spielberg film, *The Adventures of Tintin: The Secret of the Unicorn*. Steven Spielberg is a big fan of Tintin comic books. Can he turn Hergé's hero into another blockbuster?

Did you know?

At age 13, Spielberg won* a prize for a 40-minute film called *Escape to Nowhere*. At age 16, he made a science-fiction film that was shown in his local cinema!

JURASSIC PARK

In 1991, Steven Spielberg made another scary* film. In *Jurassic Park*, a man creates a theme* park on an island with dinosaurs. Before opening the park to the public, he invites three scientists and his two grandchildren to try it. But when the security system crashes*, the hungry dinosaurs escape*!

It was a revolutionary film: other directors* realized the possibilities of using computers to make special effects. There were two more *Jurassic Park* films and many video games. The films created enormous interest in dinosaurs. And many more students decided to study* palaeontology!

Jurassic Park (1991)



Can I use your telephone?



alien: extra-terrestre
appear: apparaître
ark: arche
character: personnage
childhood:

crash: planter
crew: équipe
cry: pleurer
director: réalisateur
escape: s'échapper
highest:

plus gros succès au box-office
leather jacket: veste en cuir
left (p) leave (inf): laissé
lonely: solitaire

scared (be...): avoir peur
scary: effrayant
shark: requin
theme park: parc d'attraction
whip: fouet
won (p) win

DAY 7

TEST YOUR MEMORY

..... / 5 points

As-tu bien lu l'article sur Steven Spielberg ? Alors, réponds **TRUE** (vrai) ou **FALSE** (faux) aux 5 affirmations ci-dessous.

	TRUE	FALSE
1 <i>Jaws</i> encouraged people to swim in the sea.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2 Indiana Jones is a professor of biology.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3 E.T. wants to go home.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4 <i>Jurassic Park</i> made the public interested in dinosaurs.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5 Steven Spielberg is a big fan of <i>Asterix and Obelix</i> comic books.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

SUPERLATIVES WITH STEVEN SPIELBERG

À toi d'interviewer Steven Spielberg ! Complète les phrases avec le **superlatif** des adjectifs ci-dessous.

- 1 Is *Jurassic Park* the (SCARY) film you have made?
- 2 What is the (GOOD) thing about filmmaking?
- 3 What is the (BAD) thing about being famous?
- 4 Are you (HAPPY) when you are on a film set?
- 5 Is LA the (EXCITING) city that you have lived in?
- 6 Which film was your (BIG) challenge?
- 7 Do you agree that *E.T.* is the (GREAT) sci-fi film ever made?
- 8 Who is your (SUCCESSFUL) character?

On forme le **superlatif** en rajoutant **-est** ou **-iest** à l'adjectif. Quand l'adjectif est composé de 3 syllabes ou plus, on rajoute **most** devant.
Exemple : *beautiful* = **most beautiful**.
Attention aux irréguliers comme *good* = **best**.

..... / 8 points

On utilise **for** pour indiquer une durée (two hours, four months ...).
Exemple : "*Indiana Jones has been a hero for 18 years*".

On emploie **since** lorsqu'on fait référence à une date ou au début d'une période.
Ex : "*Indiana Jones has been famous since 1981*".

FOR AND SINCE

Dans les phrases ci-dessous, remplis les blancs avec "**for**" ou "**since**".

- 1 Spielberg has been making films more than 50 years.
- 2 Spielberg has been making films he was 12 years old.
- 3 I have been a Spielberg fan 1993.
- 4 Indiana Jones has been a cult hero 30 years.
- 5 I have been interested in palaeontology I left school.
- 6 Dinosaurs have been extinct millions of years.
- 7 Spielberg has been very famous 1975.
- 8 I have been scared of sharks I saw *Jaws*!

..... / 8 points

STEVEN SPIELBERG

..... / 8 points

- ✓ Superlatif
- ✓ For / since
- ✓ Make / do
- ✓ Nationalités
- ✓ Verbes à particule

In *E.T.*, Elliot
.....
friends with
an alien.

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Does
Harrison Ford
.....
his own stunts?

..... / 15 points

[illegible]

3 *Jaws* in 1975.
a. came to b. came back c. came out

4 E.T. wants to home.
a. go back b. go down c. go round

..... / 4 points

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