

A Letter from a Fan

Task 1. Work in groups. Discuss the following questions.

Which famous people do you admire?

What do they do?

Have you ever belonged to a fan club?

Have you ever written a fan letter to anyone who you admire?

Task 2. Read the fan letter written to an actor called Zubin Varla, who played the role of Judas Iscariot in Jesus Christ Superstar. What is the aim of each paragraph? Discuss possible ending for each one.

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Dear Zubin

Last weekend my sister and I saw you (for a second time) in your show Jesus Christ Superstar. It was a magical evening and I felt that I just had to write and tell you ...

Your voice is truly spectacular, really strong and powerful. I think Judas is an extremely difficult part because everybody knows he is a traitor, and they hate him. But you portrayed him in such a way, and with such passion, that I think we began to understand his confused feelings. The other members of the cast ...

I hope you don't mind me writing to you. I expect you get loads of fan letters. I was wondering if you had a fan club of any sort that I could write to. It would be great to find out more about you. I am sixteen and hope to be in a musical when I am older. I go to dance and drama school four times a week. We put on shows every summer, and my teacher says ...

Thank you again for a wonderful evening. If you have time, I would be very grateful if ...

Good luck in your future career.

Love,

Jessica Jackson

P.S. We are coming to see the show again next week. It would be great if ...

Task 3. Write a fan letter to someone who you admire.

My Favourite Book or Film

Task 1. Use the headings and prompts to help you write some notes about either a book you have read or a film you have seen which has made an impression on you. Discuss your notes with a partner.

Introduction to the author and a book/film

Title?

Type of book/film?

When / published or made?

Who does it star?

Who wrote / directed by? Is it popular / well-known?

Introduction to characters and outline of the plot.

Where / When does the story take place? Who / main characters? What / like? What happens?

Your opinion of the book/film

Do you enjoy it very much? In parts? Not at all? Would you recommend it?

Task 2. Write a review of your book or film. Write about 200 words in three paragraphs. Some of these expressions might help:

... was written / directed by ... in ... years ago

... is based on the life of a notorious bank robber / the author's experiences in ...

It is based on the book of the same name.

... tells the story of ..., and as the story unfolds, we see ...

It stars X in the title role of the Y.

It takes place in the city of Z in the 1990s.

It's set in rural England at the beginning of the 19th century.

It is about A's relationship with her ex-husband.

In the end, B ...

What we don't learn until the end is that...

There are several flashbacks to when he was a child...

In my opinion, ... / I think that ... / I would recommend ...

What I liked best was (the way) ...

What I didn't like was ...