

Moviemaking in Hollywood

Before you watch

Answer the questions.

- 1 Where is Hollywood?
- 2 What is it famous for?

Comprehension check

1  Watch the video clip. Choose the correct answers.

- 1 Where is California?
 - a in the south of the U.S.
 - b on the east coast of the U.S.
 - c on the west coast of the U.S.
- 2 Hollywood is the center of ...
 - a San Diego.
 - b the movie industry.
 - c San Francisco.
- 3 What were Columbia, RKO, and Paramount?
 - a theaters
 - b motion picture companies
 - c neighborhoods

2  Watch again. Put these things in the order that you see them, from 1–8.

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| a movie camera | _____ | skyscrapers | _____ |
| a busy road | _____ | some flowers | _____ |
| a map | _____ | actors in a movie | _____ |
| Spider-Man | _____ | a movie studio | _____ |

3  Watch again. Choose the correct answers.

- 1 Los Angeles is **south** / **north** of San Diego.
- 2 Santa Monica is by the **sea** / **mountains**.
- 3 Hollywood was an important place to make movies by **1910** / **1912**.
- 4 L.A. is a great place to make movies because the **weather is good** / **people are friendly**.
- 5 Nowadays it is very **difficult** / **expensive** to make a movie in Hollywood.
- 6 There are now shops and **homes** / **offices** where some of the old movie studios were.

4  Watch again. Complete the sentences with one word in each gap.

- 1 The state of Oregon is to the _____ of California.
- 2 San _____ is a large city to the north of Los Angeles.
- 3 Nearly 4 million people live in the _____ of Los Angeles.
- 4 Warner Bros. was a famous motion picture _____.
- 5 The minimum temperature in the _____ is about 20 degrees.
- 6 Sony Pictures has its headquarters in _____.

5  Watch again. Answer the questions.

- 1 Which country borders California to the south?

- 2 How many people live in Los Angeles county?

- 3 What are Santa Monica and Pasadena?

- 4 What sort of weather do you need to make movies?

- 5 Which company makes the *Spider-Man* movies?

- 6 Name three jobs in the movie industry in Hollywood.

Language check

Simple past

Hollywood **became** a part of Los Angeles in 1910.

The movie industry in Hollywood **produced** many famous movies.

Some people **didn't think** movies would be popular.

6 Complete the sentences with the affirmative or negative simple past form of the verbs in the box.

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- 1 Movie companies _____ making movies in Hollywood in around 1912.
- 2 Lots of people _____ to Los Angeles to work in the movie industry.
- 3 The movie companies _____ large studios in Hollywood.
- 4 They _____ some very famous movies.
- 5 People _____ televisions in those days, so movies were very popular.
- 6 Recently, some companies _____ making movies in Hollywood because it was too expensive.

7 Complete the sentences about events in your life using the simple past form of some of the verbs in the box.

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- 1 In 2009, _____.
- 2 Two years ago, _____.
- 3 Last year, _____.
- 4 Last summer, _____.
- 5 Five days ago, _____.
- 6 This morning, _____.

Extension



Look at the photos and answer the questions.

Photo A

- Who are the people in the photo?
- Where are they?
- What are they doing?

Photo B

- Who are the people in the photo?
- Where are they?
- What are they doing?
- Which job would you prefer, the job in Photo A or Photo B? Why?