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That's Entertainment!

EVERYDAY ENGLISH!

'The show must go on'

Something that we say which means that an event or activity must continue even if there are problems or difficulties. For instance: "I've got a terrible cold, but I've got to go to work. The show must go on".

'To run the show'

To be in charge of an organisation or an activity. Eg. "She started off sorting the mail, but now she's running the show".

'To steal the show'

To win the greatest praise and to be better than anyone else. For example: "Her acceptance speech really stole the show".

SAY WHAT?

Online Entertainment

Who says you need to be in front of a TV to watch your favourite TV series and films, play videogames, and so on? Nowadays you can watch your favourite channels live on your tablet or phone anywhere. Watch your favourite sport games or listen to music while jogging in the morning, among many other things available online. Entertainment is everywhere now so take out your mobile device and enjoy.



TWO THUMBS UP!

America's Sweethearts

For an awkward, self-conscious girl like Kiki, being the personal assistant to her sister, the beautiful mega-star Gwen, isn't easy. But when she dutifully accepts the task of helping Gwen and her estranged mega-star husband Eddie make it through one last public appearance, masterminded by legendary press agent Lee Phillips, forever devoted Kiki finds that her job is about to get even harder. At first it seems her challenge is to keep the peace between Gwen and Eddie and their public image intact, but soon Kiki is faced with a more personal concern as her long-time friendship with Eddie begins to take a romantic turn.

America's Sweethearts is a movie about the movie business. It is a lightweight satire of Hollywood; the stars, the studios, the directors and "artists" of all kinds, and the businessmen behind it all.



LEARNING TO LEARN

Whenever learning a new language, a good way to get some extra practice is to change the language setting in your DVD / Blu-ray player to English. It's a great listening practice that will improve your pronunciation and fluency. It will also increase your vocabulary and you will learn lots of everyday expressions that are not usually included in text books. It may be useful to use the subtitles in English too, because if you were not able to understand something that was said, you can read it, this will also help you with your spelling and grammar.



GETTING AROUND

Carnival Celebrations around the World

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Probably the most famous carnival in the world dates back as far as the 17th century, when processions took place to celebrate the crowning of the Portuguese monarch John IV who ruled the country.

Today the carnival in Rio de Janeiro attracts upward of 5 million people to several days of parades known as 'The Greatest Show on Earth'. The finale of the extravagant and lavish event is the flamboyant late night parades through the Sambodromo, where the various samba schools that make up sections of the huge parade are judged to find the winners each year.

New Orleans, USA

Mardi Gras originates from the end of the 17th century as a French celebration of spring, and today it is a huge celebration and party. The biggest draw is the parades that run from the Friday before Ash Wednesday (Friday 28th February this year) until Mardi Gras itself (4th March this year). Each parade is themed, from traditional costumed parades to outlandish parties and balls. Be sure to book a hotel early as the city gets very busy.

Venice, Italy

Compared to some carnivals, the carnival in Venice is a more sedate affair. However, there are still fantastic parades on the water, with immaculate and outlandish costumes. The Carnevale season is a great time for a city break to Venice, and with some planning and deep pockets, you could even make it to one of the many masked balls on offer.



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When visiting [The Big Picture Platform](#), don't forget to explore the learning links that are suggested there. They will take you to useful websites where you can practice and learn more.

