

All About WALT DISNEY READING COMPREHENSION

WALT DISNEY

The Disney name is everywhere: movies, clothes, toys, books, and much more. It all started with a man named Walt Disney, who was a dreamer from the start. His dreams got larger over the years. Many thought they were too big, but that never stopped Walt. He sometimes failed, but never quit trying new things. He changed how cartoons were made and created a new type of movie. Disney made his dreams come true and changed the world for the better.



EARLY LIFE

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When his family moved to Kansas City, Missouri, where they ran a large newspaper, Walt and his father, delivering papers before and after school, had a lot of free time, but Walt never stopped drawing. He even took an art class on Saturday after school. He had a summer job selling newspapers, sodas, and candy. He enjoyed riding the trains and seeing the country.

When his family moved again, this time to Chicago, on the family moved again, into a new neighborhood. He started a high school newspaper and took art classes. He continued to draw and paint in Chicago. Walt left school and signed up with a newspaper as a printer at age 16.

WALT DISNEY Comprehension Questions

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Disney character created by _____

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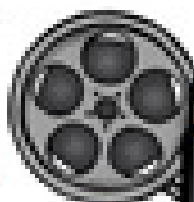
True/False Statements

1. Walt Disney's first animated film was called, "Steamboat Willie," was released on November 18, 1928.

2. On the opening day of Disneyland in Anaheim, California, there were 15,000 people.

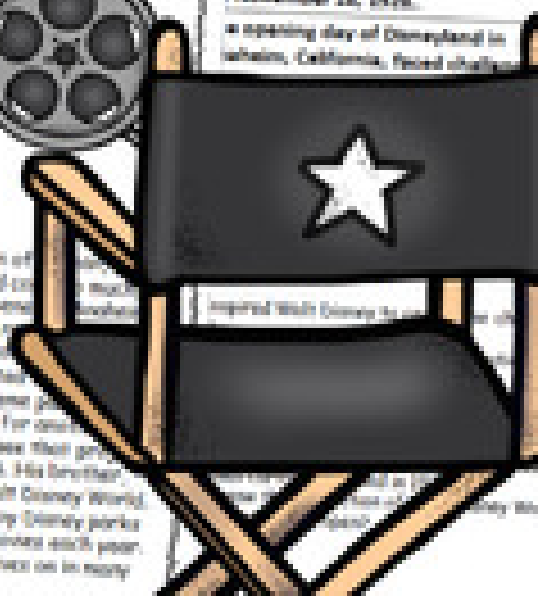
3. Mickey Mouse, called Micky Symphonies. One of them was in 1927. It was Disney's first short film to win a special award. It was for being creative and ideas that he left that to funny artists.

4. Mickey Mouse was the first cartoon character to appear in a Disney movie.



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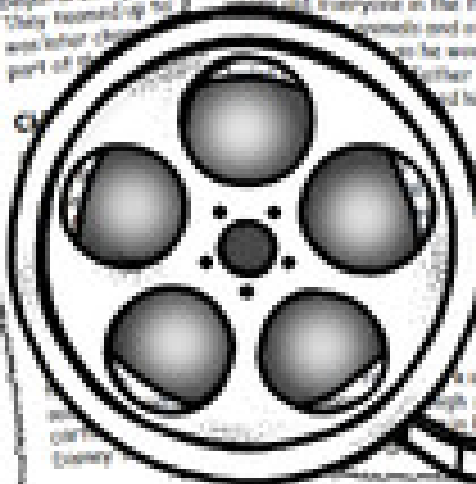
ANIMATION

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HOLLYWOOD

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EDITABLE

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FIRST JOB

The Disney family moved to Kansas City, Missouri, where they had a large newspaper route. Walt helped his father deliver papers before and after school. There was a lot of free time, but Walt never stopped drawing his favorite characters in his notebook. He was a very good artist. At age 15, Walt got a summer job selling newspapers, and he was to draw cartoons for the paper. He drew and sold many drawings.

TEEN

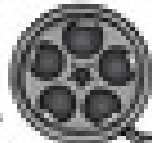
Walt's father brought him to Chicago as the family moved again. He drew cartoons for the high school newspaper and took art classes. When he was 17, he went to Chicago. Walt got a job and was working with the Red Cross in the military on a ship at age 18.

EARLY EXPERIENCES

Disney started his career as an animator. He worked for the company that made cartoons and films. He worked in the film industry for many years. He was a very good artist and he was a very good animator. He was a very good animator and he was a very good animator. He was a very good animator and he was a very good animator.

NEW PROJECTS

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QUESTIONS

MCQ'S

TRUE/FALSE STATEMENTS

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Name: _____ Date: _____

1. What was the name of the first Disney character created by Walt Disney after being inspired by Oswald the Lucky Rabbit?

- A) Mickey
- B) Mortimer
- C) Oswald
- D) Steamboat Willie

2. In which city did Walt Disney open the first Disneyland theme park on July 17, 1955?

- A) Disney
- B) Orlando
- C) Anaheim
- D) Hollywood

3. Which Disney cartoon, released in 1937, was the first to win an Oscar and featured colorful animation?

- A) Steamboat Willie
- B) Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs
- C) Pinocchio
- D) Fantasia

4. What type of films did Walt Disney start making along with animated stories and television shows in the 1950s?

- A) Nature Films
- B) Mystery Films
- C) Adventure Films
- D) Nature-Fiction Films

5. Who inspired the completion of Walt Disney World after Walt Disney's death?

- A) Walt Disney
- B) Mickey Mouse
- C) Roy Disney
- D) Oswald the Lucky Rabbit

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No.	True/False Statements	TF
1	Walt Disney's first animated film with sound, "Steamboat Willie," was released on November 18, 1928.	
2	The opening day of Disneyland in Anaheim, California, faced challenges such as record-breaking heat and ride malfunctions.	
3	Walt Disney's first feature-length animated film, "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs," was a financial failure.	

Comprehension Questions:

1. What inspired Walt Disney to create the character Mickey Mouse?
2. Why did Walt Disney start his first animation company, Laugh-O-Gram Films?
3. In which city did Walt Disney open the first Disneyland theme park, and what challenges did it face on the opening day?
4. What was the significance of "Pinocchio" (1940), a fully synchronized cartoon released in 1940?
5. Who inspired the completion of Walt Disney World, and when did it finally open?

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