

# WHAT HAPPENED IN 2007 ?

## CORRECTION



### ACTIVITY 1

Year 2007 is over – 12 mad months of events are now history. How closely did you follow the news last year ? Do the following trivia quiz to find out.

1. Which book sold 11 million copies the day it was released in July 2007 ? **Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows**
2. Which personality resigned after leading his country for 10 years in June 2007 ? **Britain's prime minister, Tony Blair.**
3. What was the top-grossing<sup>1</sup> film of 2007 ? **Spiderman 3.**
4. Which famous singer shaved her hair, released her new album and lost the custody of her children ? **Britney Spears.**
5. Who won the French Presidential Election in May 2007 ? **Nicolas Sarkozy.**
6. What happened in Virginia in April 2007 ? **A male student killed two in a Virginia Tech dorm. Two hours later, he killed 30 more in a classroom building before committing suicide. The shooting rampage was the most deadly in U.S. history. Fifteen others were wounded.**
7. Who won the Nobel Peace Prize in 2007 ? **Al Gore for his work on climate change. In later years Gore has dedicated himself to raising public awareness about global warming. A documentary about Gore and climate change, titled *An Inconvenient Truth*, was released in 2006, and was given an Oscar as the year's best documentary.**
8. Which international event took place in September and October 2007 ? **The Rugby World Cup.**
9. Who disappeared in Portugal in May 2007 ? **Madeleine McCann (Maddie) disappeared on the evening of Thursday, 3 May 2007 in Portugal. The British girl was on holiday with her parents, Kate and Gerry McCann, and siblings when she disappeared from an apartment in the central area of a resort. Madeleine's parents have said that they left her unsupervised in a ground floor bedroom with her two-year-old twin siblings while they ate at a restaurant about 120 metres away.**
10. Which organization was brought to the public's awareness with the arrest of six members and 11 others in Abéché, Chad, accused of abducting 103 African children ? **Zoé's Ark is a French charity organization with the aim of increasing awareness of the crisis in Darfur and providing aid for children affected by the conflict.**

<sup>1</sup> *qui a obtenu la meilleure recette*

## GRAMMAR FOCUS

All questions from Activity 1 are **subject questions**, which means we do not use **auxiliary verbs (do, does, did, can..., etc)**.

Examples:

**Which personality resigned in June 2007 ? – CORRECT**

~~Which personality did resign in 2007?~~ – WRONG

**Who disappeared in May 2007 ? – CORRECT**

~~Who did disappear in May 2007?~~ – WRONG

In other questions, we normally put **auxiliary verbs before the subject**.

Examples:

**Who did you get married to ? – CORRECT**

~~Who you got married to?~~ – WRONG

**When did Britney Spears and Kevin Federline split up ? – CORRECT**

~~When Britney Spears and Kevin Federline split up?~~ – WRONG

## ACTIVITY 2 (based on a post from ukmix.org forum)

Write complete questions and then use them to find out what 2007 was like for your classmates.

1. What (you/do) **did you do** in 2007 that you'd never done before?
2. (you / keep) **did you keep** your last New Years' resolutions?
3. What countries (you / visit) **did you visit** ?
4. What (you / want) **do you want** to have in 2008 that you lacked in 2007?
5. What date from 2007 (be) **was** the most important for you?
6. What (be) **was** the best thing you bought?
7. Whose behavior (annoy / you) **annoyed you** ?
8. What (you / spend) **did you spend** your money on?
9. What (you / wish) **do you wish** you'd done more of?
10. What (you / wish) **do you wish** you'd done less of?
11. Who (you / spend) **did you spend** the most time on the phone with?
12. (You / hate) **Do you hate** anyone now that you didn't hate this time last year?
13. What (be) **was** the best book you read?
14. Which celebrity/public figure (you / fancy) **did you fancy** the most?
15. Who (be) **was** the best new person you met?

# Happy New Year 2008