WHAT HAPPENED IN 2007?



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 ?
- 2. Which personality resigned after leading his country for 10 years in June 2007 ?
- 3. What was the top-grossing¹ film of 2007 ?
- 4. Which famous singer shaved her hair, released her new album and lost the custody of her children ?
- 5. Who won the French Presidential Election in May 2007 ?
- 6. What happened in Virginia in April 2007?
- 7. Who won the Nobel Peace Prize in 2007?
- 8. Which international event took place in September and October 2007 ?
- 9. Who disappeared in Portugal in May 2007 ?
- 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 ?

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.

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

Happy New Year 2008