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The Fantasy Musical 虚幻音乐剧

Read the text below and do the activity that follows.

阅读下面的短文，然后完成练习：

Did you like the film '**The Lord of the Rings**?' Are you a performer who can sing and dance? And most importantly, are you less than 1.7 metres tall with big, **hairy** feet?

If the answer is yes to all of these questions then maybe you should **audition** for a part in the new **stage production** of the **musical version** of the Lord of the Rings.

Hundreds of **aspiring actors** have descended upon London's Theatre Royal hoping to be cast as **hobbits** in the new musical version of JRR Tolkien's classic **fantasy novel**. The show, which will open in June 2007, will be the most expensive ever **staged** in London, costing an estimated £12.5 million.

Competition is **fierce** to get a part in the **lavish** production with actors **queuing round the block** just to get a few seconds to impress the **audition panel**.

However, the show's **producer** Kevin Wallace has said that he is sure he will find some actors in the open auditions.

"From every **open call** I have ever done, people have **ended up** in the show," Mr Wallace said, "We will not go through this process and not find anyone to join the show, I am absolutely confident of that."

The Lord of the Rings musical is the latest **West End show** to be adapted from Hollywood movies. **Theatre-goers** in London can enjoy a wide variety of musicals based on films - The Producers, Mary Poppins, Dirty Dancing and Billy Eliot all began life on the **silver screen**.

If the **trend** continues, perhaps we will soon see King Kong the Musical or Spiderman's Song and Dance Show on the London stage.

What about you? Which film would you like to see as a musical? Send your ideas and suggestions to chinaelt@bbc.co.uk or use the comments form at the top of the page.

Glossary 词汇表

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| The Lord of The Rings – 指环王 | hairy – 有毛发的 |
| audition – 面试, 试演 | stage production – 舞台剧 |
| musical version – 音乐剧形式 | aspiring actors – 有抱负的演员 |
| hobbits – 哈比人 | fantasy novel – 幻想小说 |
| staged – 上演 | fierce – 激烈的, 猛烈的 |
| lavish – 奢侈的, 铺张的 | queuing round the block – 昼夜排队 |
| audition panel – 评审小组 | producer – 制作人; 制片人 |
| open call – 公开选拔 | ended up – 入选 |
| West End show – 西区剧目 | theatre-goers – 看戏的人 |
| silver screen – 银幕 | trend – 潮流 |

1. Reading Quiz 阅读测验

Are these sentences true or false? Circle the correct answer.

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True / False
2. The new version of the Lord of the Rings features songs and dancing.
True / False
3. The musical is based on JRR Tolkien's famous poem. **True / False**
4. The auditions are open to anybody who wants to try their luck.
True / False
5. The Lord of the Rings musical is the first time a film has been adapted for the stage in London. **True / False**

2. Label the Picture 标注图片

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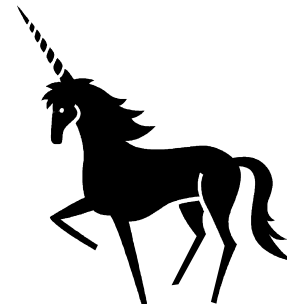
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5. _____



6. _____

wizard unicorn warrior dragon centaur dwarf

3. Idioms 习惯用语

Look at the idioms below. Each one is connected to music.

Match the idiom to its definition.

请看下列习惯用语，它们都与音乐有关。

请将习语与各自的定义对应起来。

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| 1. music to your ears | a. very cheap |
| 2. going for a song | b. to completely change your mind or point of view |
| 3. to change your tune | c. very good news |
| 4. to blow your own trumpet | d. to tell everyone how great you are |

Now complete the sentences below by using one of the idioms above.

现在请用以上的某个习语完成下列句子

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3. Yesterday you said you thought my report was good, and now you've completely _____ and say it's rubbish!
4. When my teacher told me my work was the best in class it was _____.

4. Wordsearch 单词搜索

Try to find the words associated with music in the puzzle below.

There are ten words to find. Words can be written horizontally (→), vertically (↓) or diagonally (↘)

请在下面的字谜游戏中，找出与音乐有关的英语单词来。

共有10个单词，其组成方式可能以水平的(→) 垂直的(↓) 或对角的(↘)形式出现。

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| audition | cast | producer | adapt | song |
| ballad | theme | show | lyric | score |

Answers 答案

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4. unicorn
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