Do the preparation task first. Then watch the short film and do the exercises to check your understanding.

One day at Sawston College a dangerous virus breaks out and students and teachers at the school turn into zombies. However, one student, Geoff, has five tips for surviving at zombie school.

Preparation: matching
Match the vocabulary with the correct definition and write a–j next to the numbers 1–10.

1. an incision  a. the beginning of a virus
2. a breakout  b. an exam you take in school in the UK when you are 16
3. to grip  c. a cut
4. to be fit  d. be very noticeable
5. the leading man  e. to stay calm
6. to stand out  f. to be in good physical condition
7. to keep your head  g. to hold tightly
8. GCSE  h. a meal you make at home and take to school in a box to eat at lunchtime
9. a packed lunch  i. to cause strong feelings
10. to pull at the heart strings  j. the most important male actor

1. Check your understanding: ordering
Write a number (1–5) to put these rules in the order they appear in the film.

............. Stay out of trouble
............. Stay fit and agile
............. Bring a packed lunch
............. Don’t stand out
............. Don’t get emotionally attached
2. Check your understanding: multiple choice

Circle the best answer to these questions.

1. Where did the virus begin?
   a. In a drama class       b. In a chemistry class       c. In a biology class

2. Where did the virus come from?
   a. A bull’s eye       b. A lamb’s heart       c. A rat’s stomach

3. In class registration Geoff isn’t attacked because ...
   a. the teacher protects him.     b. he is a zombie already.     c. he speaks like a zombie.

4. In the school gym the zombies catch Geoff’s friend because he …
   a. has a problem with his trainers.     b. doesn’t see the zombies.     c. can’t run.

5. What is the special zombie lunch?
   a. Liver and chips       b. Heart and chips       c. Brain and chips

6. The student goes to the principal’s office because he …
   a. steals a mobile phone.   b. brings his mobile phone to school.   c. breaks another student’s mobile phone.

7. The zombie girl attacks the actor boy because he …
   a. tries to kiss her.   b. runs away from her.   c. doesn’t want to kiss her.

8. Geoff says the only chance of surviving at zombie school is to …
   a. become a zombie.   b. follow his five rules.   stay at home.

Discussion

Have you ever seen a zombie film?

What do you know about zombies?