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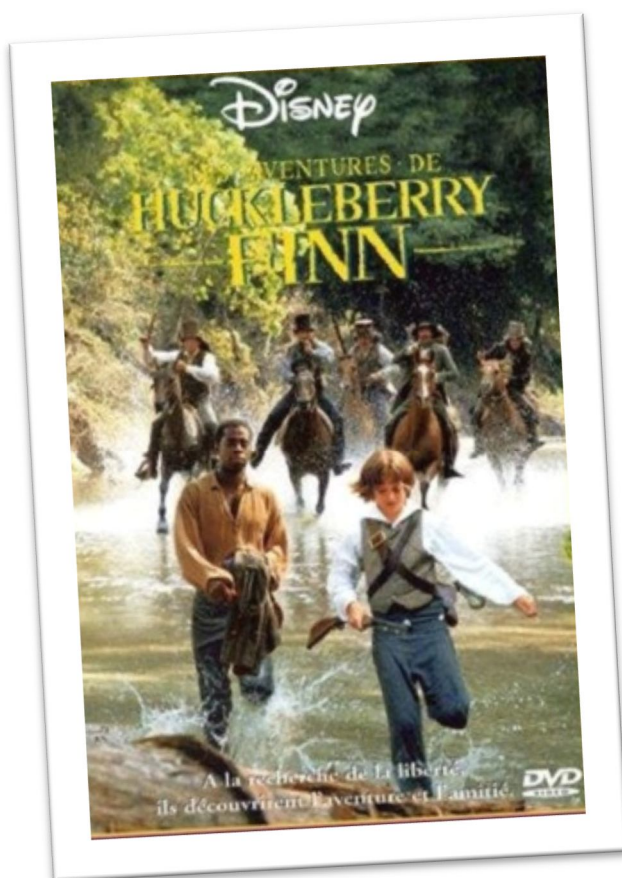
The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn

Pel·lícula recomanada per a:
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Àrees i Temes:
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Fitxa tècnica i artística.

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Direcció: Stephen Sommers.

Interpretació: Elijah Wood (Huck Finn), Courtney B. Vance (Jim), Robbie Coltrane (el duc), Jason Robards (el rei), Ron Perlman (pare de Huck), Dana Ivey (vídua Douglas).

Guió: Stephen Sommers, basat en la novel·la de Mark Twain.

Producció: John Baldecchi i Laurence Mark.

Música: Bill Conti.

Fotografia: Janusz Kaminski.

Muntatge: Bob Ducsay.

Disseny de producció: Richard Sherman.

Vestuari: Betsy Heimann.

País: Estats Units. **Any:** 1993.

Durada: 108 min.

Gènere: Aventures, Comèdia.

Sinopsi

Les aventures de Huckleberry Finn és l'adaptació cinematogràfica d'una de les novel·les més famoses de l'escriptor nord-americà Mark Twain. El film recull records de la seva infantesa i narra la història de Huckleberry Finn, un noi entremaliat que amb el seu amic en Jim, un esclau pròfug, fuig del seu malvat pare. Junts emprenen un viatge pel Mississipí que ens aproxima a l'Amèrica del Nord del segle XIX.

Activity 1: the plot of the film.

Read the plot of the film and then decide who is who in the story:

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The protagonist of this adaptation of the Mark Twain novel is Huckleberry Finn. Huck is the son of a drunkard. He lives with Widow Douglas and Miss Watson. When the drunkard Pap Finn comes back, Huck is not happy with him. So he runs away from home and follows the Mississippi River. He goes with an escaped slave called Jim. Along the way, they find adventures with the Rodgers family, who has a cotton plantation with slaves. Huck and Jim meet special characters like The King and the Duke. These two con men pretend to be British visitors and want to steal the inheritance of the Wilks sisters. Jim helps Huck change his racist ideas and show Huck the real meaning of friendship and freedom.

1- He is the author of the novel.

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2- He is the protagonist of the film.

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3- He is Huckleberry's father.

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4- Huck lives with these two ladies.

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5- This man isn't a free man.

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6- These two men have problems with justice.

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7- This family has a plantation.

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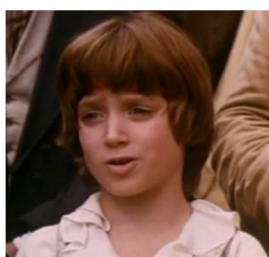
8- These sisters have money because someone of their family died.

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Activity 2: meet the characters of Huckleberry Finn.

Ben Rodgers - Mary Jane Wilks - Jim, the slave - The King - The Duke - Pap Finn - Widow Douglas - Huckleberry Finn

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1- 2-



3- 4-



5- 6-



7- 8-

Activity 3: essential vocabulary.

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Find the meaning of the words in a dictionary, and then classify them into these different categories:

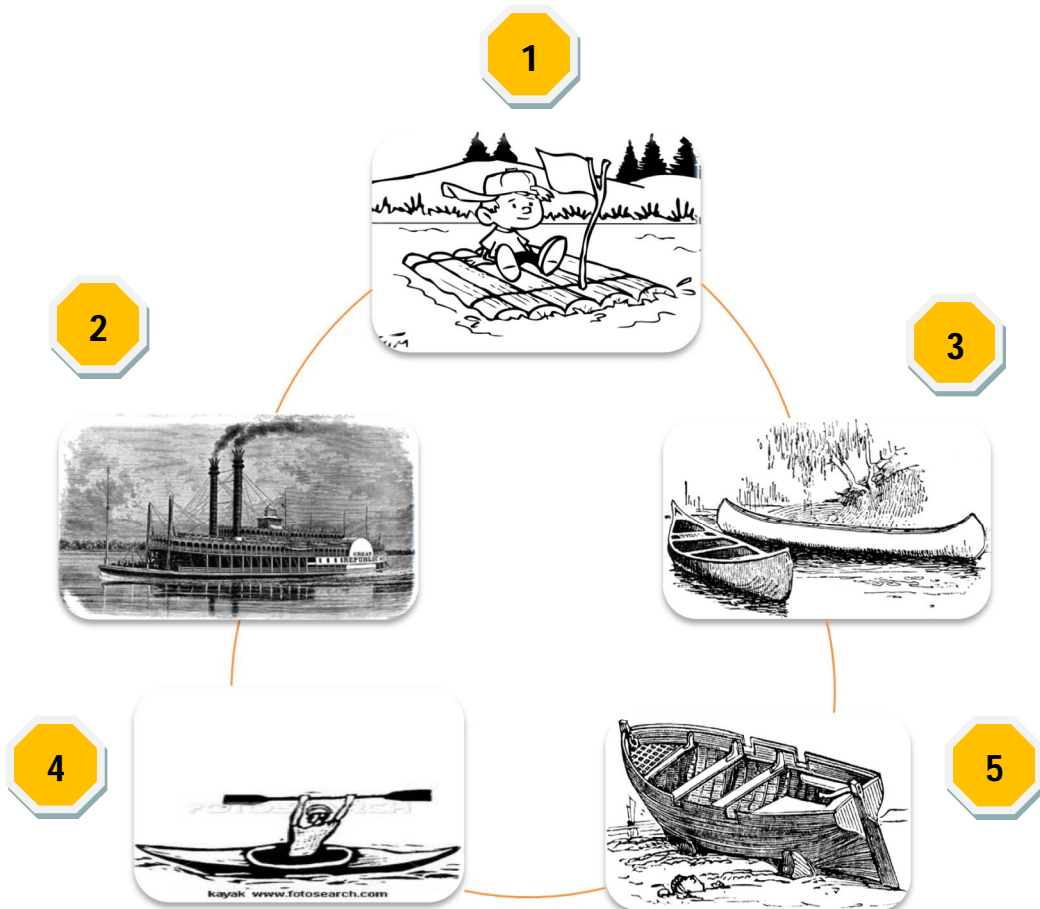
a river - a slave - to send to prison - a cabin - a troublemaker - a boat - to sink - a storm - a raft - a thief - a runaway boy - con men - to tar and feather a convict - to free a convict - to be hanged - a liar - a friend - an island - gold coins

•PLACES AND OBJECTS
•PEOPLE
•THE RIVER
•THE LIFE OF A CONVICT

Activity 4: water vehicles.

What are their names? Match the pictures with the definitions.

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A STEAMBOAT is a boat that uses steam for power and is sailed along rivers and coasts.

A KAYAK is a type of light boat, usually for one person that is moved using a paddle.

A RAFT is a a flat floating structure, usually made of pieces of wood tied together, used as a boat.

A CANOE is a a long light boat that is pointed at both ends and which you move along using a paddle.

A BOAT is a vehicle that travels across water and if it is small, you move it with two oars.

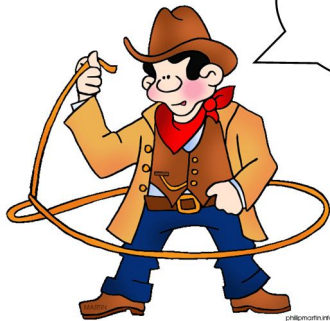
Activity 5: reorder the letters.

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I'm Sarah
Walleps

As you can see in this picture, Huck Finn dresses up as a girl to steal food. Reorder the letters to write the correct names of the fancy dresses.



I'm a
OBCOWY

1



I'm a
ESTIRP

2



I'm a
CNWOL

3

I'm a
RAPETI



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I'm aa
TOSHG



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I'm a
CESPRINS

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I'm a
CHTIW

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Activity 6: prepositions.

Practice your prepositions with the scenes in the film

in – between – in – behind – on – around – next to – along –
down – off – up.

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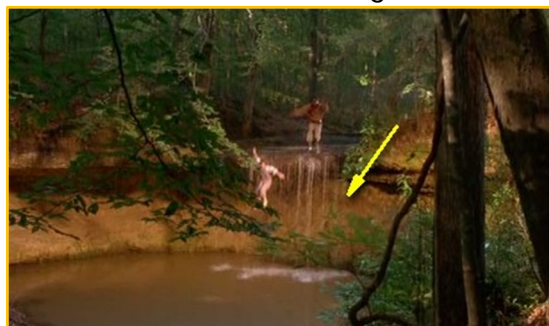
1- Huck is running the river bank.



2- The slave Jim is hiding a tree.



3- Jim and Huck are travelling a raft.



4- They are jumping the waterfall.

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5- Everyone is sitting the table.



6- Huck is sitting Ben Rodgers and Jim is them.



7- Huck is climbing the chimney to get out of the cabin.



8- Jim is prison. A man is going the stairs.



9- The King and the Duke find a lot of gold coins a chest.

Activity 7: Mark Twain's biography.

Read carefully Mark Twain's biography. Which is the correct option to complete the sentences?

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Samuel Langhorne Clemens was **a) BORN / BIRTHED / BORNED** on November 30, 1835 in Florida Missouri. His pen name is Mark Twain. He worked **b) WITH / AROUND / FOR** newspapers and as a riverboat pilot before he **c) BECOME / BECAME / BECOMED** a writer.

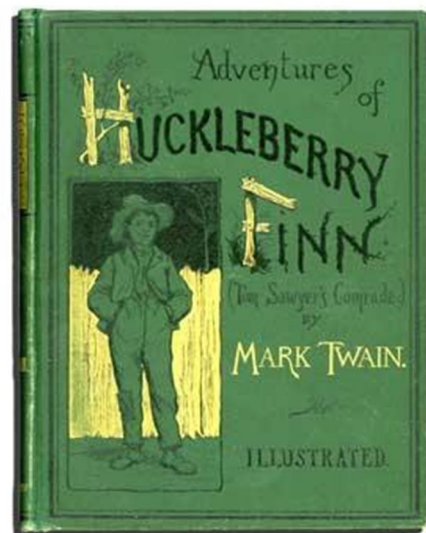
Clemens **d) WAS / WERE / ARE** best known for his works in fiction and especially for his **e) MAKE / USE / BOOK** of humour. His first **f) GIVEN / COPIED / PUBLISHED** story, in 1865, was *The Celebrated Jumping Frog of Calaveras County*.

Twain's most **g) DIRTY / FAMOUS / POOR** novel is *Huckleberry Finn*, which has become very respected, considered **h) BY / IN / TO** many to be Twain's best work. This story of a white boy who

helps a black man escape **i) FREEDOM / SLAVERY / LIFE** in the southern United States is known for its humanity.

Twain's style was usually informal and humorous. This made him different from many **j) SMALL / RICH / IMPORTANT** 19th century writers whose books he disliked. For example, he greatly disliked Jane Austen's works, such as *Sense and Sensibility* and *Pride and Prejudice*, and famously remarked, "She makes me detest all her people, without reserve."

Mark Twain's most famous **k) DIARIES / NOVELS / TRIPS** are *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* (1876), *The Prince and the Pauper* (1882), *Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* (1884) and *A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court* (1889).

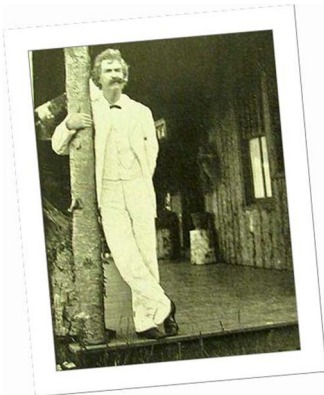


El pensament de Mark Twain.

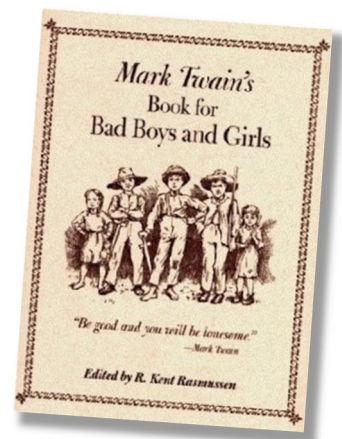
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Mark Twain, l'autor de la novel·la *Les aventures de Huckleberry Finn*, va ser un escriptor i periodista molt ocurrent i algunes de les seves reflexions han esdevingut citacions cèlebres. Perquè us feu una idea del seu pensament, hem recollit aquí algunes d'aquestes citacions. Llegiu-les i després contesteu les preguntes següents:

- Quina visió del món i de l'ésser humà reflecteixen aquestes citacions?
- Quina us agrada més? Per què?
- N'hi ha alguna amb la qual no esteu d'acord?
- Creus que aquests pensaments de l'autor es plasmen d'alguna forma al film *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn**? Raona la teva resposta.



- “Allunya't de la gent que tracta de disminuir les teves ambicions. La gent petita sempre fa això, però la gent realment gran et fa sentir que tu també pots ser gran.”
- “Digues sempre la veritat, així no hauràs de recordar el que has dit.”
- “L'home és l'únic animal que menja sense tenir fam, beu sense tenir set i parla sense tenir res a dir.”
- “És la prohibició el que fa que qualsevol cosa sigui preciosa.”
- “La millor manera d'alegrar-te és intentar alegrar algú.”
- “Les accions parlen més alt que les paraules, però no tan sovint.”
- “Recolliu un gos que camina mort de fam, l'engreixeu i no us mossegarà. Aquesta és la diferència més destacable entre un gos i un home.”
- “Si l'única eina que té és un martell, pensarà que cada problema que sorgeix és un clau.”



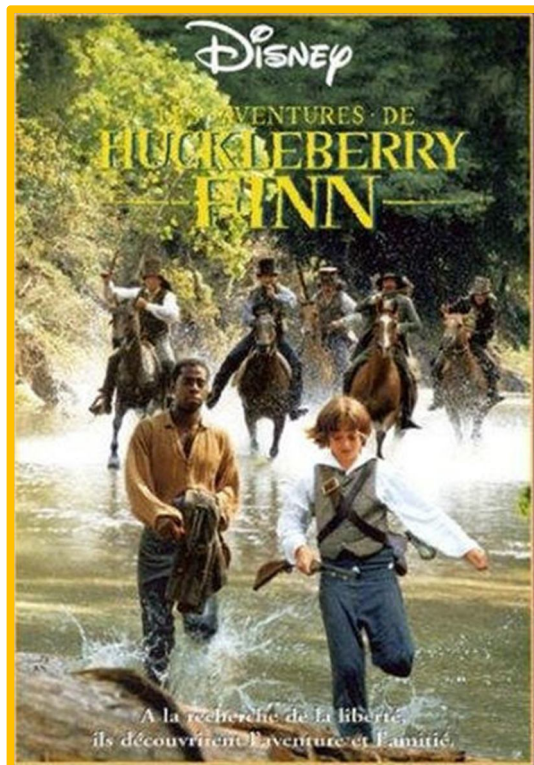
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http://ca.wikiquote.org/wiki/Mark_Twain

Comenta aquesta frase a classe. En quin moment de la pel·lícula es diu i qui n'és l'autor?

"Sempre resulta difícil obrar bé, i molt fàcil obrar malament. Així que he decidit sempre fer el que és més fàcil".





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