

When did they release it?

• Asking when things happened

• Stating when things happened

1 | Vocabulary

A Match the current events to the examples.

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| _____ 1. a sporting success | a. Barack Obama was elected U.S. president in 2008. |
| _____ 2. a political change | b. China hosted the Olympic Games in 2008. |
| _____ 3. a key discovery | c. In 1922, Howard Carter found the tomb of King Tut. |
| _____ 4. a royal wedding | d. A tsunami struck in the Indian Ocean in December, 2004. |
| _____ 5. a celebrity scandal | e. Prince William married Kate Middleton on April 29, 2011. |
| _____ 6. a natural disaster | f. In 2001, actress Winona Ryder was arrested for shoplifting. |
| _____ 7. a daring rescue | g. In Chile, all 33 of the miners who were trapped underground were brought to the surface in October, 2010. |

B PAIR WORK Tell your partner what you think was the top news story last year.

2 | Conversation

CD1 43 **A Listen.** When was the first *Harry Potter* film released? How many questions did Glen get correct?



Glen: I'm ready for Friday's current events quiz. _____



Allie: So, let me quiz you. When did Spain beat the Netherlands at the World Cup finals? _____



Glen: That's easy. It was in 2012. Next question. _____



Allie: Sorry. It was in 2010. Let's move on to entertainment. When was the first *Harry Potter* film released?



Glen: I think the first one was in 2008. _____



Allie: Actually, it was in 2001. You'd better start studying!

B PAIR WORK Practice the conversation. Then find the best places to add the sentences below to the conversation and practice it again.

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| 1. Just the year is OK. | 3. It'll be a piece of cake! |
| 2. Give me something harder. | 4. Yeah—I'm sure it's correct. |



3 | Language Booster

A Notice the different ways we ask and state when things happened.

Asking when things happened

When did China host the Olympics?
In what year did Apple release the iPad?
Do you know when Prince William and Kate Middleton got married?

Stating when things happened

It was in 2008.
They released it in 2010.
They got married on April 29, 2011.

B PAIR WORK Cover the second column in part A. Take turns asking and stating when things happened.

Example:

A: In what year did China host the Olympics?

B: It was in 2008.

4 | Listening

A Walter is a contestant on a game show. Look at the questions and possible answers. Guess the answers before you listen. Underline your guesses.

- When did the Titanic sink?
_____ a. April 15, 1912 _____ b. April 15, 1922 _____ c. April 15, 1932
- Who hosted the Olympics in 1988?
_____ a. South Korea _____ b. Spain _____ c. the United States
- When did man first land on the moon?
_____ a. July 20, 1959 _____ b. July 20, 1969 _____ c. July 20, 1979
- In what decade was the first 3D movie?
_____ a. the 1920s _____ b. the 1950s _____ c. the 1970s

CD1 44 **B** Listen. Check (✓) the correct answers. Did you beat Walter?

SPEAK with CONFIDENCE

A PAIR WORK Can you remember any news events for these categories in the past two years? Take turns asking and answering questions.

sports	entertainment	politics
weather	technology	local news

Our national soccer team won the regional championship last year.

B GROUP WORK Discuss what you remember about each news story. Answer any questions.

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