

## Challenge Station on Text Types

How is a magazine article usually structured? Write the correct letters in the boxes. Then choose the best answer for each question by blackening the circle.

A. Conclusion  
D. Introduction

B. Title and writer

C. Body

### Costume for Role-play

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2.

Have you ever seen people walking in fancy costumes on the streets, or visited a café where the waiters and waitresses were dressed like famous characters from manga and anime? These people are not deranged, nor would they want to be considered so; they are just cosplaying. 5

3.

'Cosplay'—a relatively new term coined from the words 'costume' and 'play'—refers to a hobby that has been trendy among the Japanese since the 1990s. At that time, anime fans in Japan liked to go to special events in costumes, wearing what their favourite characters like to wear. Gradually, they began to draw their dressing inspirations from a greater diversity of sources, such as the heroes and villains of Hollywood sci-fi films, as well as members of the bands they adore. Today, cosplay is one of Japan's most iconic cultural emblems. 10

Nevertheless, Japan is not the only country where cosplay [ ? ] popularity. In North America and Europe, too, cosplay enthusiasts have their own cosplay events and even contests. Yet, these people are usually much older and more into sci-fi films than [ ? ]. 15

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To sum up, cosplay can be seen as an inseparable part of Japanese culture that has gained recognition and prominence also in the west. It is a remarkable testimony to the cosplayers' passion for their favourite cartoons, films and video game characters. 20

- The '?' in line 14 can best be replaced by '\_\_\_\_\_'.  
 A. gains  B. has gained
- The '?' in line 17 can best be replaced by '\_\_\_\_\_'.  
 A. anime  B. soap opera
- In line 20, the word 'testimony' means \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. a written statement that something is true  
 B. clear proof of something