

## Citizenship Language Pack For Migrants in Europe - Extended

# English

## Multimedia Course in Language and Culture for Migrants

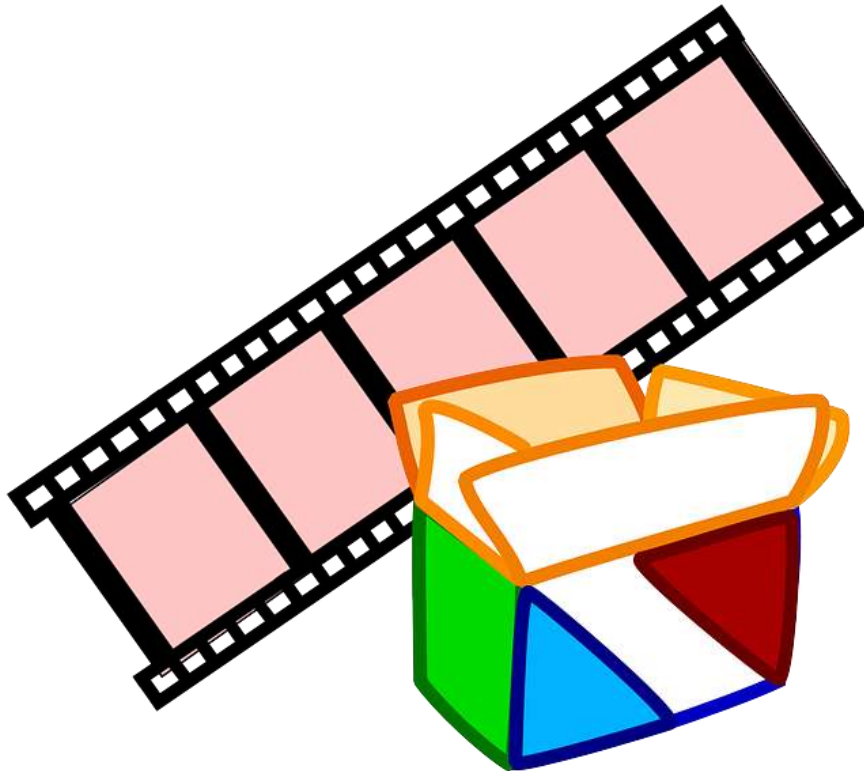
### A2 Level

### To aid communication in everyday English in Ireland

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## ***Module 12:***

### ***Leisure***





### **Introduction**

In this clip, we see two people wondering about what film they should go to see in the cinema together. They mention various genres of movies they each like and discuss, briefly, the classic movie, 'Gone with the Wind'. They make an arrangement to meet prior to the film screening.

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## Dialogue 30 – Going to the Cinema

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLAHmRvsK0yq3eKIr35DOT7-5M2f7ynI4m>

		<b>Situation:</b> Chatting with a friend <b>Characters:</b> Petra and Paul
Petra	Paul	

**Paul-** Hi, Petra!

**Petra-** Hi, Paul. What are you up to for the day?

**Paul-** I was planning to see a movie. There is a good horror movie on today. Maybe you would like to come with me?

**Petra-** What is it?

**Paul-** *The Blood of Frankenstein.*

**Petra-** Oh, that sounds frightening.

**Paul-** Not really. I think horror movies are quite amusing actually.

**Petra-** Amusing! Horror movies?

**Paul-** Yes. I went with Laura last week to see *Dracula*. I was most amused. I laughed from start to finish.

**Petra-** And what about Laura?

**Paul-** Oh, she was terrified. She had to go under the seat.

**Petra-** Ha ha! I bet that was funny. I prefer romantic movies. Tomorrow they are showing a movie based on the novel *Gone with the Wind* by Margaret Mitchell.

**Paul-** What's it about?

**Petra-** It is about a young woman, Scarlett O'Hara, and 12 years of her life – before, during, and after the American Civil War.

**Paul-** That sounds good.

**Petra-** Yeah, but it gets better. It is also about Rhett Butler, this dark handsome hero who is in love with Scarlett, but she's in love with someone else.

**Paul-** Wow, I would love to see that movie. It sounds like a lovely story.

**Petra-** I know. A Hollywood producer, David O. Selznick, invited the best actors for that film. They paid great attention to the set details of the 19<sup>th</sup> century. The camera man and director created a fantastic film.

**Paul-** Now we have to see it, definitely! So, when are they showing it tomorrow?

**Petra-** At 5pm.

**Paul-** We could meet at four, near the cinema.

**Petra-** Agreed. See you tomorrow, Paul! Bye!

**Paul-** Bye!

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## Oral Comprehension

**Answer the following questions. The correct answers can be found in the key on the last page.**

### Exercise 1 – 4:

**State whether the following questions are full or false:**

- Paul is scared of horror films.
- His friend Laura finds them amusing.
- The film *Gone with the Wind* is set during the American War of Independence.
- Petra and Paul will meet tomorrow at 4pm near the cinema.

### Exercise 5:

**Fill in the blanks.**

**Paul:** Not \_\_\_\_\_. I think \_\_\_\_\_ movies are quite \_\_\_\_\_ actually.

**Petra:** \_\_\_\_\_! Horror movies?

**Paul:** Yes. I went with Laura \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ to see *Dracula*. I was most \_\_\_\_\_. I laughed from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.

**Petra:** And what about Laura?

**Paul:** Oh, she was \_\_\_\_\_. She had to go under the \_\_\_\_\_.

## Grammar

### Past Continuous

Past Continuous is used to talk about an action that was happening over a period of the time in the past.

#### Structure:

Subject + was/were + (verb +ing).

#### Examples:

I was planning to see a movie.

#### Links:

<http://www.englishpage.com/verbpage/pastcontinuous.html>

<http://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/en/english-grammar/verbs/past-tense/past-continuous>

<http://esl.fis.edu/grammar/rules/pastcont.htm>

[http://www.englisch-hilfen.de/en/grammar/past\\_prog.htm](http://www.englisch-hilfen.de/en/grammar/past_prog.htm)

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## In Ireland

Irish people call a movie theatre 'a cinema' or 'the pictures'. In the peak of the economic boom, Irish people were the most keen movie goers in all of Europe, however, that statistic has dropped since the recession. It can be quite expensive to go to the cinema in Ireland but many of them offer special deals for children, students, and disabled or older people. Some cinemas will show foreign films along with live screenings of cultural events from around the world. Often, there are also special screenings for parents with small children. It is worthwhile to research your local cinemas in Ireland to see if there is anything that interests you!

### Vocabulary

Movie	Horror	Frightening
Amusing	Laugh	Terrified
Funny	Romantic	Novel
Handsome	Hero	In love
Actor	Film	Camera
Director	Definitely	Cinema

<http://dictionary.cambridge.org/>



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## Key

**After you have completed the exercises, check your answers here.**

### Exercise 1 – 4:

- a. False
- b. False
- c. False
- d. True

### Exercise 5:

**Paul:** Not **really**. I think **horror** movies are quite **amusing** actually.

**Petra:** **Amusing!** Horror movies?

**Paul:** Yes. I went with Laura **last week** to see *Dracula*. I was most **amused**. I laughed from **start** to **finish**.

**Petra:** And what about Laura?

**Paul:** Oh, she was **terrified**. She had to go under the **seat**.