

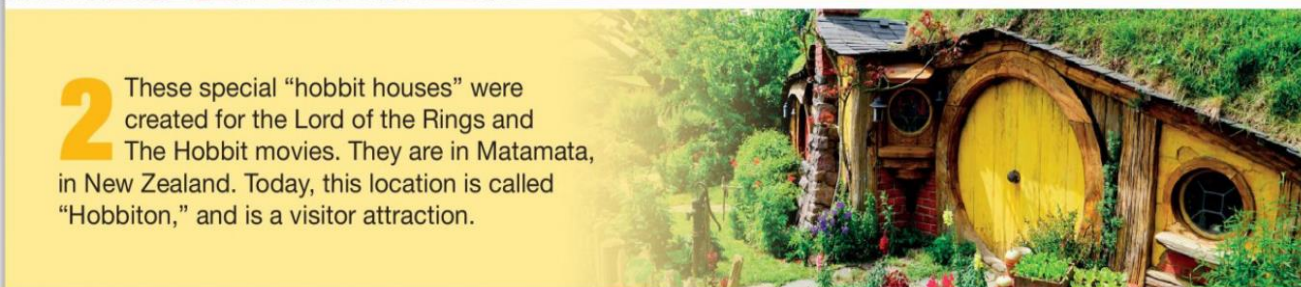
Can you believe these movie locations really exist?

Have you ever seen a fantastic place in a movie and asked yourself: *Where was that filmed?*

These days it can be difficult to know if a movie location is real, or if it **was created** in a studio or on a computer with CGI. All the following places **were used** without alteration as locations for some of the world's most famous franchises. After a location is seen in a blockbuster* movie, once-quiet places can become popular tourist attractions. Now some of these places **are visited by** thousands of fans every year.



1 In the opening scene of the Bond movie *Spectre* there was a Day of the Dead parade. The parade was invented for the movie; it wasn't a real Mexican tradition. The movie was released in 2015, and in 2016 there was a huge celebration and parade in Mexico City, just like in the Bond movie. After the movie, the parade became an annual tradition.



2 These special "hobbit houses" were created for the Lord of the Rings and The Hobbit movies. They are in Matamata, in New Zealand. Today, this location is called "Hobbiton," and is a visitor attraction.



3 These are the Iguazu Falls on the Brazilian and Argentinian border. The stunning waterfall scene in the Indiana Jones movie *The Kingdom of the Crystal Skull* was shot here. You can hear the roaring sound of the water from miles away.



4 The Divergent movies are set in a Chicago of the future, and lots of key scenes were shot in the city. The Seventeenth Church of Christ was used in the first movie for the "choosing ceremony," where the 16-year-olds of the city are put into different groups for life.

* blockbuster = having enormous commercial success

Talk about facts

1 Look at the pictures. Can you guess the movies from the locations? Use the names of the movies in the box.

The Hobbit Divergent James Bond Indiana Jones

2 048 **Read and listen** Which of the pictures shows a place in ...

- a the U.S? ☐ c Mexico? ☐
b Argentina and Brazil? ☐ d New Zealand? ☐

3 Complete the sentences with the real names of the places in the pictures.

- 1
is a modern religious building.
2 An area in
which now has a name related to a movie.
3
are located on the Argentinian and Brazilian border.
4
now has a parade like the one shown in the movie.

Passive: Simple present and simple past

- 4 Look at the **highlighted** phrases in the text. What tense are they? Complete the chart with the words in the box.

was/were by past participle is/are

Passive: simple present and simple past

- The passive is formed using the correct form of the verb **be** + 1 .
- Use 2 / (not) for the simple present passive and 3 / (not) for the simple past passive.
- When you want to say who does / did the action (the agent), use 4 .

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- 5 Underline other passive sentences in the text.
- 6 Complete the sentences with the correct passive form of the verbs in parentheses.

- In the past, movies (shot) in black and white.
- The Sistine Chapel (not paint) by Leonardo da Vinci!
- Today, a lot of cars (produce) in Mexico.
- The movie *Mary Poppins* (release) in 1964.
- Havaianas flip-flops (make) in Brazil.
- These days, top movie stars (pay) \$20–30 million per movie!
- In the past, special effects (not create) with a computer.

- 7 Rewrite the sentences in the passive form. Use **by** + the agent only when it is necessary.

- J.R.R. Tolkien wrote *The Hobbit*.
- Chris Hemsworth plays Thor.
- They release blockbuster movies during the school vacations.
- The Americans didn't build the Statue of Liberty.
- Steven Spielberg didn't direct those movies.

- 8 Are the sentences active or passive? Choose the correct alternatives.

- Shakespeare **wrote** / **was written** *Hamlet*.
- The movie **based** / **is based** on a true story.
- The main character **didn't play** / **wasn't played** by a professional actor.
- Apple and Samsung **make** / **are made** popular types of cell phone.
- The movie **doesn't set** / **isn't set** in the present.
- The composer **wrote** / **was written** the soundtrack.

Passive: interrogative form

be + subject + past participle?

"Was the movie directed by Angelina Jolie?" "Yes, it was."
"Where is Jurassic World set?" "On a fictional island."

- 9 Write the questions for the answers.

Where **is Mandarin spoken**?

Mandarin is spoken in China.

- 1 What time ?

In the hotel, breakfast is served from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m.

- 2 What year ?

The Old Man and the Sea was published in 1952.

- 3 How many ?

Over a trillion plastic bags are used each year!

- 4 When ?

The Giza pyramids were built around 2500 BC.

- 10 **Pairwork** Write the trivia questions. Then try to guess the answers.

I think the world's first movie was made in France in 1895.

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Test your knowledge

- When and where / the world's first movie / make?

a England,	b France,	c the U.S.,
1888	1895	1901
- What / the first music video / play / on MTV?

a <i>Thriller</i> by Michael Jackson
b <i>Video Killed the Radio Star</i> by The Buggles
c <i>Smells Like Teen Spirit</i> by Nirvana
- In which Californian city / *The Big Bang Theory* set?

a Los Angeles	b San Diego	c Pasadena
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- How many hours of video / post / on YouTube every minute?

a 5	b 150	c over 300
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- In which year / the first Spider-Man movie / release?

a 2002	b 2004	c 2006
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- How many people / Netflix / use by?

a 10 million	b 100 million	c 1 billion
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- 049 Now listen and check your answers.

Challenge

Write True / False sentences about your favorite movies, TV shows, books, and songs and test your classmates.