A DIFFERENT KIND OF CIRCUS

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When: cuando Think: pensar Perhaps: tal vez Big: Grande Tent: carpa Funny: divertido Clown: payaso Brave: valiente Tamer: domador French: francés Kind: tipo New: nuevo Performance: presentación Any: ningún Street: calle Dance: baile People: La gente Call: llamar

Beginnings

Cirque du Soleil was started in 1984 in Quebec, Canada, by two street performers. It began with a very simple dream. A group of young performers got together to amuse people, see the world and have fun doing it. The circus quickly became famous for its creativity, colorful costumes and exciting performances.

Was: fue Start: comenzar Performer: Artista Began: Empezó With: con Dream: Sueño Young: Joven Get together: reunirse Amuse: Entretener See: Ver World: mundo Have fun: divertirse Doing it: haciéndolo Quickly: Rápidamente

Became: se volvió Colorful: colorido Costume: disfraz Exciting: emocionante

Touring Shows

Cirque du Soleil has created many shows that travel all over the world. Their first show, *Saltimbanco*, celebrated life. *Alegría* is about hope. *Quidam* is set in the imaginary world of a sad and lonely girl. *Dralion* is about eastern and western ways of life. There is even a show that tells the story of The Beatles, called *LOVE*.

Touring: de giras Has created: Ha creado Many: Muchos Travel: Viajar All over: Alrededor First: Primer About: Acerca Hope: Esperanza Set: Localizado Life: Vida Sad: Triste Western: Occidental Lonely: solitaria Eastern: Oriental There is: Hay Ways: Formas Even: incluso Tell: Relatar

READING COMPREHENSION

LEE EL TEXTO "A DIFFERENT KIND OF CIRCUS"

•	ENCUENTRA LAS RESPUESTAS EN EL TEXTO Y <u>SUBRÁYALAS CON COLOR ROJO</u> . DEBES RESPONDER <u>EN INGLÉS</u> TODAS LAS PREGUNTAS.
1.	¿Qué significa en francés "Cirque du Soleil"?
2.	¿Cuándo y dónde comenzó el Cirque du Soleil?
3.	¿Qué combina el Circo del Sol?
4.	¿Qué NO utiliza el Circo del Sol?
5.	¿Cómo llama la gente al Circo del Sol?
6.	En sus inicios, ¿Por qué se volvió famoso el Circo del Sol?
7.	Di el nombre de algunos shows del Circo del Sol.
8.	¿Qué celebraba Saltimbanco?
9.	¿Dónde está localizado Quidam?
10	كن. Sobre qué habla Dralion?
11	Qué nos cuenta el show llamado "LOVE"?

VOCABULARY:

TRANSLATE TO ENGLISH THE FOLLOWING EXPRESSIONS:

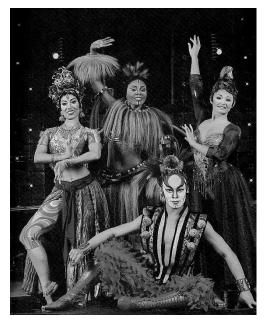
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Read about Dralion

Dralion by Cirque du Soleil is an interesting combination of eastern and western circus acts. It combines traditional Asian acts with its own modern creativity and color. Even the name "Dralion" shows this mix of East and West. People from both eastern and western countries enjoy *Dralion!*.

Main idea:	N

Listen and complete the paragraph.



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