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Vocabulary: Reading 词汇：阅读

Now here's what I call a **turn-up for the books** - a film star's been giving away free books on the London Underground. If you're a **bookworm**, a Harry Potter fan and a London Underground user then it's been an exciting month for you.

Emma Watson, who starred in films **based on** the **novels** about a **fictional** schoolboy wizard, has been hiding books on the Tube for passengers **to leaf through**.

It's part of the Books On The Underground movement, which has a simple aim: to get more people **burying themselves** in literature. And the way they do it is to leave **tomes** on trains for commuters to pick up, **dip into** and then leave for another lucky reader **to skim**.

The movement started out in 2012 and drops off about 150 **volumes** a week in stations across the UK's capital. Talking about Watson's participation in the project, the manager of Books On The Underground, Cordelia Oxley, said, "The reaction has been phenomenal. It must be a mixture of how much everyone adores Emma, and how exciting it is to find something as wonderful as a new book on your journey."

The 100 or so **editions** Watson left for passengers **to pore over** were even more special because she left a **hand-written inscription**. The paperbacks were copies of Kaya Angelou's Mom & Me & Mom.

One person who discovered a copy of the book on the Tube said she felt like the character Charlie Bucket - a boy who finds a golden ticket to the world's greatest chocolate factory - in the Roald Dahl **classic**, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory.

Watson became a UN Women Goodwill Ambassador in the summer of 2014 and has since started **devouring** as many books and **essays** on equality and feminism as possible. She has also started her own **book club**.

So, why not **take a leaf out of Emma Watson's book** and leave a copy of your favourite book on a train? It could make a stranger's life richer.

词汇表

a turn-up for the books	意想不到的事情，出乎意料的事
a bookworm	书虫，书迷
based on	以.....改编的
a novel	小说
fictional	虚构的
to leaf through	略读，浏览
to bury oneself (in something)	把自己埋在（某物）中
a tome	巨著
to dip into	随便翻翻
to skim	粗略地浏览
a volume	书；卷，册
an edition	版本
to pore over	仔细阅读
hand-written	手写的
an inscription	题赠，题词
a classic	（书）经典作品
to devour	如饥似渴地阅读
an essay	散文，短文
a book club	读书俱乐部
to take a leaf out of someone's book	以某人为榜样，向某人学习

测验与练习

1. 阅读课文并回答问题。

1. What type of films did Emma Watson star in?
2. True or false? *Emma Watson dropped off 150 copies of a book on the London Underground.*
3. What does Books On The Underground aim to do?
4. Did Emma Watson type a message on the books?
5. Is *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* a well-known book?

2. 请你在不参考课文的情况下完成下列练习。选择一个意思合适的单词填入句子的空格处。

1. Harry Potter is a _____ character.

bookworm	fictional	fiction	real-life
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2. The university professor always made the students read heavy _____ on economics.

novels	inscriptions	tomes	book clubs
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3. I didn't have enough time so I just _____ the novel before my literature class.

skimmed	devoured	pored over	hand wrote
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4. The Harry Potter books have become _____ in the author's own lifetime.

tomes	fiction	essays	classics
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5. I haven't read much Shakespeare but I have _____ it from time to time.

dipped into	pored over	buried myself	devoured
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答案

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1. What type of films did Emma Watson star in?
Emma Watson starred in films based on books about a fictional wizard called Harry Potter.
2. True or false? *Emma Watson dropped off 150 copies of a book on the London Underground.*
False. Emma Watson dropped off about 100 copies of a book on the London Underground.
3. What does Books On The Underground aim to do?
Books On The Underground aims to get more people to read.
4. Did Emma Watson type a message on the books?
No, Emma Watson wrote a message with a pen.
5. Is Charlie and the Chocolate Factory a well-known book?
Yes, it's a classic.

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