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8. How did you choose CINEMA CULTURE IN 1930s BRITAIN

(please tick as many as apply to you)

1. Are you *aw whatever happened to be on* Male ☐
Recommendations by friends/family Female ☒
Favourite stars
 2. In which year were you born? 19 16
Advertisements outside cinemas, posters, etc
 3. How old were you on your earliest visit to the pictures?
 About 12 years old
 4. At what stage of your life did you do most of your
 picturegoing? Between the ages of 16 and 21 years
Regal Handsworth Birmingham

10. What did you like about this cinema?
 (use up to three words to describe it)
 Questions 5 to 16 are about your picturegoing during the 1930s

5. Where did you live during the 1930s?
 (state city, town or village; and county or district)

Birmingham Warwickshire

3/6

11. Did you have a favourite film star or stars? Yes ☒
 6. On average, how often did you go to the pictures?

More than 3 times a week ☒

2 or 3 times a week ☐

Once a week ☐

Less than once a week ☐

7. When you went to the pictures, did you often or usually
 go (please tick as many as apply to you)

On your own ☐

With friends of about your own age ☒

With family members ☒

With a boyfriend or girlfriend ☒

Other(s) (please specify) my future husband

How did you choose which pictures to go to? impression?

(please tick as many as apply to you)

I saw whatever happened to be on

Recommendations by friends/family

13. Did you read any film magazines? Yes

Notices in newspapers, magazines, etc No

Advertisements outside cinemas, posters, etc

If yes, which? (please tick as many as apply to you)

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9. What was your favourite cinema? (please state name of cinema and village, town, suburb, or city district)

Regal Handsworth Birmingham

10. What did you like about this cinema?
(use up to three words to describe it)

My favourite cinema was

Comfy, warm,
& near home.

- 5
2

11. Did you have a favourite film star or stars? Yes
If yes, whose? No

☒☐

If yes, who were they? (up to three names)

15. Did you belong to any film fan clubs? Yes

Clark Gable

Ronald Colman

Constance Bennett

If yes, whose?

many others

22
174
23

12. Do you recall any films that made a particularly strong impression on you?

Yes

No

☒☐

16. In the 1930s, did you enjoy any spare-time activities apart

If yes, which ones were they? (up to three titles)

San Francisco ~~Cavalcade~~

Cavalcade

The Love Parade

181
21
115

Can you say why these films made such an impression?

*Yes, I was a fan of ten youngest but 2
as you can imagine not very well off.
at the cinema I lived in a fantasy world for few hrs
it was great -*

13. Did you ever look at any film magazines?

Yes

☒

No

☐

If yes, which? (please tick as many as apply to you)

Film Pictorial

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Film Star Weekly

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Film Weekly

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Boys' Cinema

☐

Girls' Cinema

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Picturegoer

☒

Picture Show

☒

Other(s) (please state) _____

14. Did you collect stars' photographs or autographs?

Yes

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No

☒

If yes, whose?

15. Did you belong to any film star fan clubs?

Yes

☐

No

☒

If yes, whose?

QUESTIONS CONTINUE OVERLEAF

16. In the 1930s, did you enjoy any spare-time activities apart from going to the pictures?

Yes

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No

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Yes, which of these did you do regularly?

(please tick as many as apply to you)

to the following questions about your-
important background information. However, if
there are any that you prefer not to answer, please leave a blank.

Reading

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Dancing

☒

Music hall, plays or other live theatre

☒

Listening to wireless

☐

Churchgoing, chapelgoing, etc

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Youth club or organisations (e.g. Scouts)

☐

Political activity

☐

Other clubs or societies

☐

'Courting'

☒

Sports and outdoor activities

☐

Indoor hobbies

☐

Jobs around the house and/or garden

☒

Other(s) (please state)

Black Berry picking
with Mom & Dad

What was your first job?

French Polishing

What has been your main occupation through life?

(please state 'housewife' if applicable; and if you have
had several occupations, please say what they were)

Good Housewife Mettle-fold during the war in B. home
Working from 1947 until 1975
Had a son 1944 Jan 25th

QUESTIONS CONTINUE OVERLEAF

How did you find about about this research project?

Not sure what News paper & I forgot about the
either The Sun, TV Times or Weekly News.

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Thank you once again for your help

We would be grateful for your answers to the following questions about yourself, which will provide us with important background information. However, if there are any that you prefer not to answer, please leave a blank.

Your name and address: Mrs Doris Annie English

CRISTCHURCH
NR WISBECH
CAMBS

1/8.

Where were you born?

BIRMINGHAM

3/6.

Have you ever been married?

Yes



No



Do you have children?

Yes



one

No



At what age did you finish your full-time education?

14 years

What was your first job?

French Polishing

SOT

What has been your main occupation through life?

(please state 'housewife' if applicable; and if you have had several occupations, please say what they were)

Geat Keen Mettle fold during the war in Bham
Working part time at Lucas from 1947 until 1975
Had a Son 1944 Jan 25th

How did you find about about this research project?

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either The Sun, TV Times, or Weekly News.

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