

A live feed

1 Work in pairs. Look at the photos on p39 and describe someone's clothes. Can your partner guess who it is?

This person is wearing a hat and a sweater.

You're right!

It's this man here.

2 Look at the photos again and answer the questions.

- 1 What type of event can you see?
- 2 What happens there?
- 3 What type of people go there?

Subskill: Identifying the text type

Identify the type of text before you read. This can help you predict and understand the content.

3 Look at the text and answer the questions.

- 1 What type of text is it?
- 2 Do you normally read this type of text ... ?
  - a in a book
  - b on a computer
  - c on your phone
- 3 What is unusual about the order of the text?

4 Read and listen to the text and match each message with a photo.

5 Are the sentences true or false? Find information in the text to support your answer.

- 1 Comic Con isn't very busy at the start of the day.
- 2 The fans walk in slowly.
- 3 Some people are wearing unusual clothes.
- 4 In one part of the festival you can watch people draw.
- 5 Fans can see their heroes but they can't meet them.
- 6 At Comic Con you can try new video games.

6 Word work Match the definitions to the words in bold in the text.

- 1 people who draw or paint
- 2 someone who people admire
- 3 the clothes a person (e.g. an actor) wears to look like a different person
- 4 the signatures of famous people
- 5 very big
- 6 feeling very happy about something

7 The words in bold are in the wrong sentence. Correct the sentences.

- 1 An elephant is an **excited** animal.
- 2 Leonardo da Vinci was a famous **hero**.
- 3 Superman is my favourite comic book **artist**.
- 4 People wear special **autographs** for Carnival.
- 5 It's my birthday tomorrow – I'm really **enormous**!
- 6 Some people like collecting **costumes**.

CRITICAL THINKING

- 1 **Understand** The reading about Comic Con is a live feed. Choose the correct sentence.
  - a We use a live feed to report actions or events when they are happening.
  - b We use a live feed to write about general information or things in the past.
- 2 **Apply** Which of these events could you describe using a live feed?
  - the biography of a famous person
  - a football match
  - your last holiday
  - an election
  - an awards ceremony (Oscars, Grammys)
  - reference information about an animal
- 3 **Create** Think of two more events you could report with a live feed.

**fun facts** More than 130,000 people visit the original Comic-Con in San Diego, USA, every year.

COMIC CON

Facts

Comic Con festivals are for people who like comics, video games and films.

Many countries have festivals for comic fans, including the USA, Brazil, the Philippines and India.

Fans often dress up as their favourite characters from science fiction and superhero films.

