

Worksheet A

John Wayne – An All-American Hero

John Wayne was born on (a) in Iowa, USA, but his real name was Marion Robert Morrison. When he was a child his family moved to (b) because his father was ill, and at that time Marion usually (c) to school. He went to the University of Southern California, and in the summer he worked (d) Here Marion met John Ford, a famous film director, and they became good friends. In 1930 the director offered Marion a role in his new movie *The Big Trail* because (e) Marion decided to change his name to John Wayne when he made *The Big Trail*, and over the next eight years he appeared in (f) films. Then in 1939 he made *Stagecoach*, which became an instant success. *Stagecoach* won (g) Oscars, and suddenly John Wayne was a star. In his career he appeared in nearly two hundred films, and he won (h) in 1970 for his role

in the classic western *True Grit*. He made his last film in (i) 19....., and died of cancer in 1979. He was married three times and had (j) children.



Worksheet B

John Wayne – An All-American Hero

John Wayne was born on May 26th 1907 in (1), but his real name was Marion Robert Morrison. When he was a child his family moved to California because (2), and at that time Marion usually rode a horse to school. He went to the University of (3), and in the summer he worked at the Fox Film Studios. Here Marion met (4), a famous film director, and they became good friends. In (5) 19..... the director offered Marion a role in his new movie *The Big Trail* because he was 'tall, strong and ugly'. Marion decided to (6) before he made *The Big Trail*, and over the next eight years he appeared in fifty-six films. Then in (7) 19..... he made *Stagecoach*, which became an instant success. *Stagecoach* won two Oscars, and suddenly John Wayne was a star. In his career he appeared in (8) films, and he won the Oscar for best actor in 1970 for his

role in the classic western *True Grit*. He made his last film in 1976, and died of cancer in (9) 19..... He was married (10) times and had seven children.

