SPIDER-MAN à

Spider-Man 2 came out in 2004. The same team made the Spider-Man film two years earlier. Spider-Man was really popular, but they wanted the second film to be even bigger and better. Many people agreed that Spider-Man 2 was fantastic! They loved both sides – the action film and the love story. And they loved Peter because he was just an ordinary guy.

Some of the ideas for *Spider-Man 2* came from the comic, *The Amazing Spider-Man*. It was Number 50 and it was called '*Spider-Man No More!*' There is a picture in the comic of Peter Parker throwing away his Spider-Man costume – just like in the film.

Film Facts



- Spider-Man 2 was the first action film to make more than \$100 million in its first weekend.
- 🕷 They made 35 Spider-Man costumes to use in the film.
- ightarrow It took 15 weeks to build Doc Ock's old building on the river.
- They filmed in more than 100 different places. They filmed on street corners in New York. They built new scenes in Los Angeles. They used a train line in Chicago.

The Stunts

How does Spider-Man swing through the streets? Film-maker Sam Raimi used a 'Spidercam'. They put cables between high buildings. The 'Spidercam' camera ran very fast along the cables. It filmed the buildings going by really fast. Then pictures of Spider-Man were put on top. And you really believe he can 'fly'!

Would you like a job as a stunt actor? What other job on a film would you like?



Tobey Maguire (Peter Parker / Spider-Man) and Kirsten Dunst (MJ) did a lot of their own stunts in the film. Some actors like doing their own stunts because it's fun and it helps them understand their character better. They don't know what danger is really like unless they feel it themselves. Other actors think stunts are too dangerous. That's why they have stunt actors!

> What do these words mean? You can use a dictionary. action costume scene actor stunt character