

THE PINK PANTHER™



The Pink Panther appeared in 2006. It was popular because there were a lot of famous stars in the film. It was also very funny because of Inspector Clouseau and all the stupid things he does.

Peter Sellers

Did you know there was another film called *The Pink Panther*? It appeared in 1964 and Peter Sellers, a British star, played Inspector Clouseau. That film was also about the theft of a famous diamond – the Pink Panther. Inspector Clouseau goes to Italy and looks everywhere for the diamond except in the right place.

Peter Sellers became very famous as Clouseau and made five Pink Panther films.

Have you seen any of the Pink Panther films with Peter Sellers?

Have you seen *The Pink Panther* with Steve Martin?

What kind of films make you laugh?

Did you know ... ?

Only two of the five films with Peter Sellers were about the Pink Panther diamond – *The Pink Panther* and *The Return of the Pink Panther*.

The diamond is called the Pink Panther because ...

- it is pink.
- it has a small flaw inside. The flaw looks like a jumping panther.



The Pink Panther music is by Henry Mancini. He wrote music for many films and for TV, but the Pink Panther music is the most famous.

Do you know the Pink Panther music? Sing it to your partner.

Blake Edwards was the director of the Pink Panther films with Peter Sellers. For *The Pink Panther* he wanted something special for the start of the film. He asked two cartoonists, David DePatie and Fritz Feleng, to think of something – and the Pink Panther cartoon was born!

Steve Martin saw the Peter Sellers Pink Panther films when he was a young man. He loved them so much, he often copied Clouseau for his friends at university.

What do these words mean? You can use a dictionary.

theft flaw panther
director cartoon
cartoonist

