



✍ Fill in the blanks with words from the box ↓

culture	talkies	silent	Mumbai	Britain	first
films	city	nickname	hero	singing	shoot
Hollywood	Indian	fall in love	cinema	million	audience
backgrounds	colourful				



what is bollywood?

Bollywood is the _____ given to the _____ film industry. It's a play on the word _____. The B comes from Bombay (also known as _____), a big _____ in India. Bollywood is massive. It makes up to 2,000 _____ a year – twice as many as Hollywood and about 14 _____ Indian people go to the _____ everyday. Films are made so fast that sometimes actors on set _____ scenes for four different films at a time - using the same actors and the same _____.

where did it all start?

In 1899 the _____ Indian short film was screened, and Bollywood was born. Just like in Hollywood the films were _____ to begin with, then in the 1930s the films became « _____ ». Many Indians came to live and work in _____ around fifty years ago, and they brought their _____ with them. Now, Bollywood's biggest _____ outside India is in Britain.

what makes bollywood films unusual?

Bollywood films are really _____ and crammed with _____, dancing, and lots of costume changes. They also used to stick to a formula of boy meets girl, they _____ and they struggle for family approval. There's also always a _____, a heroine, a vamp and a comedy sidekick.

