Andy Warhol was a painter and a filmmaker. He is one of the 20th century’s best-known artists. He became famous in the 1960s through a series of „Pop art“ paintings featuring soup cans, film stars and car crashes.

Andy Warhol was the son of Czech immigrants (Einwanderer) to America. He was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He went to a commercial art school. In 1949 he moved to New York City and began a successful career in magazine illustration and advertising. He made shoe advertisements (Reklame).

In 1962, he became an overnight sensation when he showed his pictures of Campbell’s Soup cans (Büchsen). He was the leader of Pop art, which took its subjects (Themen) from the worlds of advertising, packaging, and television. Sometimes he duplicated his pictures with variations of colours. He made the famous portraits of Marilyn Monroe.

Andy Warhol wrote books and also made films. Several of these have one-word titles: Trash, Bad and Sleep. When he died in 1987 he left a fabulous fortune (Vermögen). But opinions (Meinungen) on him are divided (geteilt). To some he was a genius (Genie), to others merely (bloß) a brilliant conman (Betrüger, Hochstapler).

Translate:

1. Wann wurde Andy Warhol geboren? – 1928. ........................................................................................................

2. Wer war Andy Warhol? – Ein Künstler. ........................................................................................................

3. Wo arbeitete Andy Warhol? – In New York City. ..............................................................................................

4. Wie sehen die Portraits aus? – Sie sind in verschiedenen Farben. .................................................................

5. Was denkst du über Andy Warhol? – Ich liebe seine Bilder. ........................................................................

6. Weißt du, wer diese Frau ist? – Ich glaube, sie ist ein berühmter Filmstar. ...................................................
