2 **Complete the sentences with the correct noun or verb form of one of the words in the box.**

play • mention • work • report • merit

a The author talked about her new ..... , which was to be performed on Broadway in New York.

b I'd like to ..... that apart from being a very funny book, this is a great piece of literature.

c His first novel won the Booker Prize and there is no doubt that it ..... this award.

d The 2,000-word ..... on the conference was due the next day and Christy had not yet started it.

e The poet took great delight in ..... with words to get the exact effect that he was looking for.

f Writing a novel takes talent, but it also takes a great deal of hard ..... , which is what a lot of people forget.

g I detest romance novels. The ..... of handsome heroes falling in love with damsels in distress makes me close the book immediately.

h She is an acclaimed author who has written prizewinning non-fiction books of great ..... .

i This term in your literature class, we will study great ..... like Tolstoy's *War and Peace* and Zola's *Germinal*.

j Her job at the newspaper was to ..... on crime in the city.

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