



Entertainment and the arts

1 Underline the most suitable word or phrase.

- a) I like this book, and I've read six *capitals/chapters/prefaces* already.
- b) It's not a proper drawing, only a *rough/plan/sketch*.
- c) The play is very long but there are three *breaks/intervals/rests*.
- d) At the cinema I don't like sitting too near the *film/screen/stage*.
- e) We heard a piece by Mozart performed by a German *band/group/orchestra*.
- f) Her second book was very popular and became a best *buy/seller/volume*.
- g) I like the painting but I can't stand its ugly *border/frame/square*.
- h) Robert's new book will be *broadcast/published/typed* in August.
- i) I liked the acting, and the *costumes/dressing/outfits* were good too.
- j) The best *act/place/scene* in the film is when Jack meets Kate.

2 Complete each sentence with a word from the box. Use each word once only.

announcer	composer	critic	editor	playwright	author
<del>conductor</del>	director	novelist	sculptor		

- a) The orchestra would not be so successful with a different .... **conductor...**
- b) I want a book on art, but I don't know the name of the .....
- c) We must see the new film by that Italian.....
- d) The.....said that the sports programme is on after the news.
- e) Harry writes for the theatre, but he is not only a.....
- f) We saw some interesting metal objects made by a French.....
- g) That's a nice piece of music. Who is the.....?
- h) Peter Smith was the only.....who wrote in praise of the film.
- i) Charles Dickens is probably the best known British.....
- j) The.....of the newspaper usually decides what it contains.

3 Complete each sentence by putting *in, on, at* or *out of* in each space.

- a) Harry Smith is hard ..... **at** .....work writing his new screenplay.
- b) The music was terrible and the singer was .....tune.
- c) I can't tell what that is .....the background of the picture.
- d) Jane's new book is coming out.....paperback next year.
- e) Is there anything good .....Channel 4 this evening?
- f) The school put on *Hamlet*.....modern dress.
- g) The critics found Joe's kind of writing rather.....date.
- h) In the last scene, all the actors are.....stage together.

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- 4 Complete each sentence with a word from the box. Use each word once only.

current electric humorous modern public special dull  
gripping ~~live~~ popular readable still

- a) No recording can be as good as a ..... *live* ..... concert in my opinion.  
b) It was a very ..... story and made me laugh a lot.  
c) I couldn't put that book down, it had such a ..... plot.  
d) Most people find it difficult to understand ..... art.  
e) My favourite television programmes are about ..... affairs.  
f) Of course it's possible to like both classical and ..... music.  
g) Everyone enjoyed the ..... effects in the *Star Wars* films.  
h) I don't buy books because there's a good ..... library nearby.  
i) We both found it a very ..... film I'm afraid.  
j) George doesn't paint people, but mainly does ..... life paintings,  
k) It was an interesting book, and very .....  
l) Unfortunately the boy upstairs is learning the ..... guitar.
- 5 Choose the most suitable word or phrase to complete each sentence.
- a) Susan's first painting was a/an ..... *A* ..... portrait.  
A) self B) own C) selfish D) auto  
b) We all enjoyed the play so much that we ..... for ten minutes.  
A) booed B) screamed C) applauded D) handed  
c) Peter sings every Sunday in the local church .....  
A) concert B) chorus C) opera D) choir  
d) I bought this book mainly because it has a very attractive .....  
A) folder B) cover C) coat D) wrapping  
e) The play was a success and had very good ..... in the papers.  
A) reviews B) critics C) advertisements D) notes  
f) If you can't find what you are looking for in the book, use the .....  
A) preface B) directory C) list D) index  
g) The average ..... watches television for about 15 hours a week.  
A) viewer B) audience C) spectator D) observer  
h) First we see their faces from far away, and then we see a .....  
A) side by side B) foreground C) replay D) close up  
i) Please note that the next programme is ..... for children.  
A) unusual B) unsuitable C) unmistakable D) unreasonable  
j) All the members of the ..... had a party after the play was over.  
A) scene B) cast C) circle D) drama

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- 6 Use the word given in capitals at the end of each line to form a word that fits in the space in the same line.

*The school play*

Congratulations to all involved with the school (1) *production*. of PRODUCE  
*The Woman Next Door*. The (2)..... was carried out by the ADVERTISE  
 Art Department, and the posters were very (3).....We IMAGINE  
 certainly have some very (4).....students in our school! ART  
 Many people helped with building and painting the (5).....SCENE  
 and the play was written by the English Department, who  
 managed to create an (6).....story, with excellent songs. AMUSE  
 The music was written by Sue Porter, who also (7).....the COMPANY  
 singers on the piano. Everyone enjoyed a thoroughly (8).....ENTERTAIN  
 evening, and there was a long round of (9).....at the end. APPLAUD  
 Jim Barrett gave a brilliant (10).....as Sergeant Moss, and PERFORM  
 Liz Aitken was a delightful Mrs Jump. Well done everyone!

- 7 Complete the compound word in each sentence with a word from the box. Use each word once only.

back	book	fair	operas	rehearsal	biography
circle	ground	piece	scripts		

- a) Edward's third book is usually considered his master *piece*. . . . .  
 b) A lot of people enjoy watching soap.....on television.  
 c) I found the Prime Minister's auto.....very interesting.  
 d) Some of the actors still did not know their lines at the dress.....  
 e) I won't buy the book until it comes out in paper.....  
 f) We had very good seats in the dress.....  
 g) There is a black cat painted in the fore.....of the picture.  
 h) Writing film.....is rather like writing for the theatre.  
 i) I was fined because I forgot to return my library.....  
 j) The scene showed them on a roundabout in a children's fun.....

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- © Replace the verbs in *italics* with a verb from the box. Do not change the meaning. Change the verb form where necessary.

call off	go over	<del>pick up</del>	take over	turn up	come out
look up	put on	take up	work out		

- a) My radio doesn't *receive* the BBC World Service very easily.
- b) Our school is going to *do* 'The Tempest' next month.
- c) The management *cancelled* the performance an hour before the opening.
- d) I *searched* for the reference in the index.
- e) I can't hear the radio. Can you *make it louder*?
- f) Colin's new book *is published* next week.
- g) The conductor *studied* the music carefully before the concert.
- h) The publishing company was *bought* by a Japanese firm.
- i) I like detective stories where I can't *think* who committed the murder!
- j) Jim has *started* painting as a hobby.



9 Decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each space.

*Why read books?*

Is it worth reading books, (1).....**D**..... nowadays there are so many other forms of (2).....? Some people say that even (3).....books are expensive, and not everyone can (4).....books from a library. They might add that television is more (5).....and that viewers can relax as they watch their favourite (6)..... All that may be true, but books are still very (7).....They encourage the reader to use his or her (8).....for a start. You can read a (9).....of a book, or just a few pages, and then stop. Of course, it may be so (10).....that you can't stop! There are many different kinds of books, so you can choose a crime (11).....or an autobiography, or a book which gives you interesting (12).....If you find it hard to choose, you can read (13)....., or ask friends for ideas. Personally, I can't (14).....without books, but I can (15).....up television easily enough. You can't watch television at bus stops!

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|---------------------|-----------------|---------------|----------------|
| 1) A in             | B or            | C why         | D since        |
| 2) A entertain      | B entertainment | C entertained | D entertaining |
| 3) A paperback      | B the           | C so          | D when         |
| 4) A borrow         | B buy           | C lend        | D take         |
| 5) A excited        | B excitable     | C exciting    | D excitement   |
| 6) A ones           | B programmes    | C episodes    | D cereals      |
| 7) A too            | B public        | C live        | D popular      |
| 8) A imagination    | B author        | C index       | D amusement    |
| 9) A capital        | B head          | C chapter     | D cover        |
| 10) A current       | B imagined      | C interest    | D gripping     |
| 11) A history       | B novel         | C booklet     | D poetry       |
| 12) A advise        | B idea          | C information | D fact         |
| 13) A announcements | B gossip        | C reviews     | D prefaces     |
| 14) A do            | B make          | C have        | D take         |
| 15) A pick          | B look          | C give        | D turn         |