

## Unit 4

### A Choose the correct answers.

- 1 I'll probably arrive at the theatre first, so I'll just wait for you in the \_\_\_ and we can go in together.  
a foyer      b wings      c stage      d aisle
- 2 Even the most experienced actors can suffer from stage \_\_\_ on the opening night.  
a rehearsal      b room      c fear      d fright
- 3 You know I can't stand tear-jerking \_\_\_ flicks; let's go see the new thriller instead.  
a chic      b chick      c hen      d bird
- 4 The film tells the \_\_\_ of an unfulfilled love.  
a tail      b tale      c talk      d narrative
- 5 When is the new Tim Burton movie being \_\_\_? I can't wait to go see it.  
a revealed      b reviewed      c released      d received
- 6 What time is the dress \_\_\_? The director will be really angry if I am late again.  
a hitch      b ovation      c performance      d rehearsal
- 7 It's very dark in the theatre; let's wait for the \_\_\_ to show us to our seats.  
a usher      b narrator      c critic      d animator
- 8 It was an excellent performance. The actors deserved the standing \_\_\_ they received at the end.  
a audience      b lead      c ovation      d role
- 9 After the end of a play, people from the audience can usually go \_\_\_ to meet the members of the cast.  
a aisles      b backstage      c wings      d dancing
- 10 I really enjoyed Colin Firth's \_\_\_ of King George VI in *The King's Speech*.  
a portrayal      b interval      c animation      d set

### B Complete the sentences with a preposition.

- 1 Irene was really nervous about the school play, but it went off \_\_\_\_\_ a hitch.
- 2 Although no one in the cast was an actor \_\_\_\_\_ profession, they gave a very powerful performance.
- 3 The scene was shot in my neighbourhood. You can see my house \_\_\_\_\_ the background.
- 4 I always cry in that final scene where they dance \_\_\_\_\_ the accompaniment of their favourite song.
- 5 The director instructed us to remain \_\_\_\_\_ character at all times while we were filming.
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_ showbiz actors who are hugely popular one day, may not be able to land a job the next.
- 7 Have you ever wondered what it is like to be \_\_\_\_\_ the set of a live show?
- 8 If you accept the job of understudy, you may be asked to step in \_\_\_\_\_ a moment's notice.

### C Circle the correct answers.

- 1 That actress is well over sixty. **Actually / Surely**, you were joking when you said you were thinking about casting her in the part of the teenage daughter!
- 2 The play got very bad reviews. **As a matter of fact / Obviously**, you are the only person I know who had anything good to say about it.
- 3 Of course Tim's name should be first on the cast list. **After all / Admittedly**, he is the lead actor.
- 4 Can't we go see a different film? **Quite honestly / Obviously**, I find romantic comedies boring.
- 5 The special effects in the film were dreadful. **All in all / Apparently**, the producers didn't want to spend a lot of money on it.
- 6 She's been acting in plays since she was a little girl, so **naturally / still**, she feels at home on the stage.
- 7 I think the tickets to the play are rather expensive. **Still / I mean**, if that's what mum and dad want for their anniversary, it's worth the money.
- 8 I felt the ending was a bit predictable, but **after all / all in all** I would say it was a good film.

## D Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 All my life I've wanted \_\_\_\_\_ (become) an actor, but I guess I just don't have what it takes.
- 2 The director instructed us to concentrate on \_\_\_\_\_ (deliver) our lines naturally.
- 3 She is always late and we don't have enough time \_\_\_\_\_ (rehearse) her scenes properly.
- 4 My splitting headache prevented me from \_\_\_\_\_ (enjoy) the film.
- 5 I can't understand why the producers insist on \_\_\_\_\_ (release) the film at Christmas. It's in no way related to the holiday.
- 6 I remember \_\_\_\_\_ (watch) cartoons every morning when I was a child. It was my favourite time of the day.
- 7 How could you have forgotten \_\_\_\_\_ (pick up) the DVD from the video club? You know I was really looking forward to \_\_\_\_\_ (watch) that film tonight!
- 8 \_\_\_\_\_ (grow up) as the child of famous Hollywood stars can be tough at times.
- 9 My parents wouldn't allow me \_\_\_\_\_ (watch) violent films until I turned fourteen.
- 10 Our drama teacher makes us \_\_\_\_\_ (do) lots of breathing exercises at the beginning of each lesson.