Unit 11

A Choose the correct answer.

1 Her popularity was so sudden, she felt as if her life were getting out of **hand / hands**.
2 He hopes that appearing on the talent show will help him make **a comeback / stardom**.
3 Five year-old Sunny stole the **headlines / limelight** everywhere the film premiered.
4 Despite being widely **acclaimed / fabled** by critics, his second film failed to win any awards.
5 Could you **discreetly / discretely** ask him for his autograph, please?
6 Dickens' novels were originally published in **excerpts / instalments** in magazines.
7 She was furious when she saw her speeches **hounded / lampooned** on prime time television.
8 Some people believed that the department was involved in the **conspiratorial / conspiracy**.
9 They never expected to be **dropped / signed** from the record label after their online video success.
10 She was paid upwards **of / to** $25 million for the rights to her latest novel.
11 The unorthodox art on her album cover helped to put her music on the **headlines / map**.
12 As war **correspondent / reporter** for television news, he had many life-changing experiences.

B Choose the correct answer.

1 Although she was _____ for her parties, she was never actually successful in her field.
a eminent **b** fabled **c** illustrious **d** slandered

2 He became a virtual recluse after being _____ by a fan.
a hounded **b** slandered **c** sought **d** stalked

3 His films are a riot of colour, yet his own dress sense and lifestyle are at odds _____ that opulence.
a of **b** on **c** to **d** with

4 The twins _____ the peak of stardom at the age of only fourteen.
a got **b** hit **c** reached **d** stole

5 As an actor, his capacity for improvisation was behind some of Hollywood's more _____ lines.
a acclaimed **b** eminent **c** feasible **d** immortal

6 The costumes were clearly plagiarised and the designer should have been sacked _____ the spot.
a at **b** from **c** in **d** on

7 You can read _____ from his autobiography on his web to encourage you to buy the book.
a anecdotes **b** excerpts **c** gossips **d** instalments

8 According to a _____ at the film studio, his new film will star his brother in the lead role.
a blackmail **b** gossip **c** leak **d** paper

9 Their reporting of the award-ceremony was so _____ that many people complained on Twitter.
a chaotic **b** credible **c** impartial **d** objective

C Complete the sentences with these words and phrases.

accounting	knowing	pleasing	to please	to shake hands with	signing	to sign	talking to	trying	to try

1 We're hoping to find a sponsor for the film festival but there's no real _____ what will happen.
2 In between _____ autographs at posing for selfies, he managed to speak to the press.
3 No one had much faith in his project, but he just decided there was no harm in _____.
4 I always wanted to be an actor; I know you're never too old _____ but I'll never be confident enough.
5 They're always trying _____ the same sector of the public. They need new audiences.
6 You mustn't forget _____ the prince before you take the award.
7 I really don't understand why you think he's funny at all but I suppose there's no_____ for taste.
8 He couldn't stop _____ any autographs as security was too tight.
9 You don't like any of fifteen the films on?! There's just no _____ some people.
10 Do you remember _____ him before you fainted?

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

1 After winning a national photography competition, she went on _____ (direct) a trilogy of films.
2 He became notorious in academic circles for _____ (publish) a controversial paper on Einstein.
3 _____ (know) how to be friendly but persistent are key skills for TV interviewers.
4 Honestly, his stand-up really makes me _____ (laugh) but I don't like his films.
5 The film had seven nominations but it didn't win a single award! No one saw that _____ (come)!
6 He became famous by _____ (create) art that was revolutionary yet appealed to the general public.
7 She didn't allow him _____ (ignore) by the press and insisted that they interview him too.
8 He quietly 'forgot' _____ (mention) the scandal as he didn't want to offend her.

E **Choose the correct answer.**

1 I really regret never _____ goodbye.
a have said **b** to have said **c** having said
2 If you don't have a small digital camera, try _____ your phone.
a use **b** to use **c** using
3 We won't let you _____ left alone.
a get **b** to get **c** getting
4 He had been advised repeatedly _____ into the centre alone.
a not drive **b** not to drive **c** not driving
5 Don't allow them to encourage you _____ your appearance in any way.
a change **b** to change **c** changing
6 They warned him _____ to answer all his fans' letters.
a not even attempt **b** not to even attempt **c** not even attempting
7 Visiting his exhibition could lead to people _____ traditional photography again.
a take up **b** to take up **c** taking up
8 I think they had better _____ themselves for pack of reporters waiting outside.
a prepare **b** to prepare **c** preparing

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