READING

UNIT 4 You have 15 minutes.

Name _____ Date _____

First read the text. Then answer the questions. You have 15 minutes. Use the tips in the *Remember how to* box to help you.

Career advice from Debbie Bento and Alberto Gómez

Hi, Debbie,
I have a problem. I want to be a physical therapist when I graduate, but my dad, who's an accountant, says it'd be a waste of time. He says I can earn more money in a different job. I do well at school and I could study anything I want, but my dream is to work with sports stars! I don't think Dad's going to let me do what I want. He's going to make me go to college to learn how to make spreadsheets or something like that!!! ☹
Carla (age 17)

Dear Carla,
Parents and children often have arguments about this issue because parents want the best for their children. I think it is worth trying to understand his views. Perhaps he thinks you would enjoy studying a more academic subject, like science or math, for example. However, I have met people with demanding jobs, such as doctors and lawyers, who wish they had chosen a less stressful job or something they loved. I think you should talk to him and allow him to explain his opinion to you before calmly describing to him how you feel.

Hi, Alberto!
Can you give me some information about what it's like to be a movie director? ☺
Dominic (age 14)

Dear Dominic,
Movie directors have to be good at working with others because they have to work with a big team of people. Think of all the names you see on the movie credits, and you'll understand what I'm talking about. When you're a director, you have to take the script (which is the story and dialog that's already been written for the movie) and bring it to life on the screen. The director's the one who decides what the movie looks like, but he has to allow the cinematographer and his team to actually shoot the scene. He also has to make the costume designers and make-up artists understand how he wants the characters to look; but he has to let them have some creative freedom too.

Choose the correct answer, A, B, C, or D.

1 The people who write in an informal style are _____ .
- A Carla and Debbie
- B Debbie and Dominic
- C Carla and Dominic
- D Alberto and Dominic

2 Carla's father works with _____ .
- A numbers
- B food
- C children
- D movies

3 In her future job, Carla wants to _____ .
- A sell products in a store
- B work in an office
- C treat athletes with injuries
- D work with spreadsheets

4 Carla's father feels that if his daughter chooses a different career, she can _____ .
- A get paid more
- B have a better work environment
- C have more free time
- D have a more interesting job

5 Debbie believes that Carla's father's views are _____ .
- A illogical and wrong
- B understandable but not definitely right
- C logical and correct
- D old-fashioned and wrong

Choose if the sentences are correct (*C*) or incorrect (*I*).

6 Movie directors have to get along with many people. **C / I**

7 It's the director who writes the movie script. **C / I**

8 The cinematographer is responsible for decisions about how movie scenes should look. **C / I**

9 The costume designer takes advice from the director about the actors' appearance. **C / I**

10 Directors have to allow other people to make some of the decisions for themselves. **C / I**

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