

Vocabulary Unit 9 Laser B1

3 Complete the sentences with the missing words. The first letter of each word has been given.

- 0 My favourite films are mostly **c o m e d i e s** because they cheer me up.
- 1 The whole family **r** _____ with laughter when they saw his green polka dot trousers.
- 2 Most people appreciate his good sense of **h** _____.
- 3 I don't like soap operas. I prefer **s** _____ because the people in them find a humorous way to deal with their problems.
- 4 My favourite **c** _____ is Rowan Atkinson. His jokes make people laugh even if they don't speak English.
- 5 He started telling a joke but he forgot the **p** _____ so nobody laughed.
- 6 She must have done something really funny because the whole office could hear their **l** _____.
- 7 I found the situation **h** _____. I still can't stop laughing.
- 8 I love the way she keeps a **s** _____ **f** _____ when the rest of us keep laughing.
- 9 He always tells his friends **f** _____ stories about his life in the army.

4 Choose the correct answer.

- 0 The teacher lets us laugh **on / out** loud in class.
- 1 If you find something funny or not depends **from / on** your sense of humour.
- 2 We've managed **to / for** book a clown for the school party.
- 3 Children under sixteen are not allowed **from / to** go to this comedy show.
- 4 John's always capable **of / for** doing something funny in class.
- 5 Mr Bean succeeded **to / in** attracting millions of worldwide fans.
- 6 Nothing prevents me **from / for** watching *Friends* on a Sunday afternoon.

Grammar

5 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

- 0 If Harry had been (**be**) more careful, he wouldn't have spilt the milk.
- 1 If I _____ (**know**) Jim Carrey was in town, I would have gone to his performance.
- 2 If he hadn't attended the Theatre School course, he _____ (**not be**) such a good actor.
- 3 If you hadn't told us that silly joke, Mrs Jones _____ (**not send**) us to the headmaster.
- 4 He might have been given the role if he _____ (**act**) better at the audition.
- 5 If Alastair _____ (**not have**) that stupid idea to wave his red jumper at the bull, he wouldn't be in hospital now.
- 6 Stop laughing! If you had told me there was salt in that jar, I _____ (**not put**) it in the cake.
- 7 We _____ (**enjoy**) the show if her jokes had been better.

6 Rewrite the two sentences as one sentence, using the word(s) given.

0 Dudley Moore was a comedian. He starred in many Hollywood films.

who

Dudley Moore, who was a comedian, starred in many Hollywood films.

1 Peter Sellers was an excellent actor. His films were very popular.

whose

2 We saw a film yesterday. It was not funny at all.

which

3 Hollywood is a place in California. A lot of film companies have their studios there.

where

4 John bought a pink suit. I don't know why.

the reason

5 Everybody was looking at his feet. Then he realised he was still wearing his slippers.

when

6 He showed me a trick. It was very funny.

that

7 This is a funny film. The hero in that film is a clumsy police inspector.

in

8 We are talking about a man. He has a good sense of humour.

who

Use of English

7 Read the text and decide which answer (a, b or c) best fits each gap.

Have you ever wondered (0) a comedians usually perform to such large

(1) _____? Probably because we all need somebody to (2) _____ us laugh. When we feel we can't (3) _____ it any more, a good laugh helps us feel better and keeps away stress. What would we (4) _____ done if we had not (5) _____ humour? Nobody wants to think about it. Being funny depends (6) _____ many factors such as the age, interests and education of the people who listen. It's really difficult to tell jokes (7) _____ everybody likes. Things are worse for professional comedians. If they don't succeed (8) _____ entertaining the audience, then some of the people may (9) _____ them off the (10) _____.

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| 0 a why | b who | c where |
| 1 a audiences | b laughs | c jokes |
| 2 a tell | b make | c manage |
| 3 a take | b let | c prevent |
| 4 a had | b has | c have |
| 5 a invent | b invented | c inventing |
| 6 a on | b about | c in |
| 7 a who | b whose | c that |
| 8 a in | b on | c of |
| 9 a prevent | b allow | c boo |
| 10 a programme | b stage | c show |