Unit 24 Vocabulary

Entertainment

Topic vocabulary in contrast

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enjoy / entertain	scene / scenery / stage	novel / fiction
play / act / star	band / orchestra / group	comic / cartoon / comedian
audition / rehearsal	review / criticism	watch / see / look
rehearse / practise	ticket / fee	listen / hear

Phrasal verbs

come (a)round happen again (for regular events)	**grow on** if sth grows on you, you start to like it more
count on rely on; trust	**let down** disappoint
drop off fall asleep	**name after** give sb or sth the same name as sb or sth else
drown out prevent a sound from being heard by making a louder noise	**put on** hold; perform (a show, play, etc)
fall for believe that a trick or joke is true	**show off** try to attract people's attention and make them admire you (usually used negatively)
get along (with) have a good relationship (with)	**take after** look or behave like an older relative
go down (as) be remembered for having done something	**take off** become successful or popular very fast

Phrases and collocations

fun	have/be fun; make fun of sb
funny	find sth funny
home	make yourself at home; be/stay at home; go/get/leave home; make your way home
impression	give sb the impression; do an impression of sb; have the impression; make an impression (on sb)
joke	joke about sth/doing; joke with sb; tell/make/hear/get/understand a joke
laugh	laugh at/about sth/sb; laugh out loud; roar with laughter; have a laugh
part	take part in sth/doing; be a part of sth; part with sth; have a part (in a play, etc)
party	have/throw a party (for sb); give sb a party; go to a party; dinner/birthday/etc party
play	play a part/role (in sth); play with sth/sb; play sth; have a part/role to play (in sth); be/act/star in a play; watch/see a play
queue	join a queue; in a queue; queue up; stand/wait in a queue
show	put on a show; show appreciation (for sth/sb); show sth to sb; show sb sth; on show; steal the show; TV/radio/quiz/game show; show business
silence	in silence
voice	in a low/deep/high/etc voice; have a good/bad voice; voice an opinion (about sth)

Word patterns

apologise (to sb) for sth/doing	**like** sth/doing; like to do; be like sth/doing; be like sb (to do)
avoid sth/sb/doing	**promise** to do; promise sb (sth); promise that
bound to do	**prove** to do; prove sth (to sb)
deserve sth/to do	**say** sth (to sb); say that
enjoy yourself; enjoy sth/doing	**supposed** to do
happy to do sth; happy for sb (to do sth); happy about sth/doing	**talented** at sth/doing
instead of sth/doing	

Word formation

act (in)active(ly), acting, actor, actress, action, (in)activity	**entertain** entertaining, entertainment, entertainer	**popular** unpopular, popularly, popularity
amuse (un)amusing(ly), amusement	**excite** (un)exciting, excited(ly), excitement	**say** saying
bore boring(ly), bored, boredom	**fame** (in)famous(ly)	**suggest** suggested, suggestive(ly), suggestion
converse conversation	**involve** (un)involved, involvement	**vary** (in)variable, (in)variably, varying, varied, various(ly), variation, variety
current currently	**perform** performing, performance, performer	

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Topic vocabulary in contrast

A Choose the correct answer.

1 I've got a/an ..... for the school play tomorrow. I really hope I get a main part!
A rehearsal B practice C audition D performance

2 Did you read that ..... of the new Lloyd-Rice musical? It said it was awful!
A review B criticism C report D summary

3 I'm going to stay in and ..... TV tonight.
A see B watch C look at D view

4 We really ..... ourselves at the party! Thanks so much for inviting us!
A entertained B had fun C enjoyed D occupied

5 Ellie does a/an ..... each week for the local newspaper. It's usually quite funny.
A comic B comedian C animation D cartoon

6 The water park we went to yesterday was fantastic, but the entrance ..... was a bit expensive.
A ticket B fee C charge D cost

7 *Vanilla Sky* ..... Tom Cruise, Pénelope Cruz and Cameron Diaz.
A acts B plays C stars D contains

8 When you're learning to play a musical instrument, it's important to ..... for an hour or two every day.
A rehearse B practise C perform D train

9 The play wasn't supposed to be a comedy, but everyone started laughing when some of the ..... fell over and hit one of the actors.
A scenery B scenes C stages D acts

10 Louis de Bernières' ..... *Captain Corelli's Mandolin*, which is set on the Greek island of Cephallonia during the Second World War, was an international bestseller.
A fiction B account C anecdote D novel

11 Have you ..... the joke about the guy who fell off a 20-metre-high ladder? He was fine – he fell off the bottom rung!
A listened to B overheard C heard D paid attention to

12 Being the conductor of a large ..... is an extremely demanding job. You have to make sure about a hundred musicians are playing in time.
A group B band C company D orchestra

Phrasal verbs

B Write one word in each gap.

A future pop star?

My little brother, Carl, takes (1) ..... our dad in that they both like to sing. The difference is that Dad's got quite a good voice. Carl can't sing at all! This doesn't stop him, though. He's always singing. He starts as soon as he wakes up, and doesn't stop until he drops (2) ..... at night. I usually get along very well (3) ..... Carl, but he can be a bit annoying when he starts showing (4) ..... .You can count (5) ..... him to do this whenever we have guests. My mum and dad will be talking to some friends, and then suddenly the conversation will be completely drowned (6) ..... by Carl singing at the top of his lungs. The other day, I told him he should be on the radio. For a second he fell (7) ..... it, until I told him that that if he was on the radio, we could turn it off!

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C Complete using the correct form of the phrasal verbs in the box.

come (a)round • go down • grow on • let down • name after • put on • take off

1 Marlon Brando will ..... in history as one of the greatest actors of all time.
2 Our class is going to ..... a play at the end of term.
3 I didn't really like Madonna's new single when it came out, but it's starting to ..... me now.
4 Did you know that the sandwich is ..... the Earl of Sandwich?
5 The band have really ..... since appearing on the Video Music Awards show last month.
6 The Eurovision Song Contest is ..... again soon. Shall we organise a Eurovision party?
7 I felt completely ..... when he refused to give me his autograph. I'm never going to buy another one of his CDs!

Phrases and collocations

D Circle the correct word.

1 I hope you're joking **with / about** quitting your job!
2 Come in! **Make / Have** yourself at home.
3 Having taken part **in / of** several amateur karaoke competitions, Daniel was determined to get himself a recording contract.
4 Have **fun / funny** at the concert tonight, won't you?
5 What's wrong with boys playing **with / in** dolls?
6 The audience **gave / showed** their appreciation for the cast by giving them a standing ovation.
7 We're thinking of **having / giving** Dad a surprise 40th birthday party.
8 **Voicing / Speaking** your opinion on a live TV or radio discussion programme is not as easy as it sounds.

E Circle the extra word in each sentence.

1 What time did you get to home last night?
2 You shouldn't make the fun of Tim just because he's smaller than you.
3 A number of contemporary art installations are on the show at the moment at the Zwyborg Gallery.
4 Didn't you find out that joke funny?
5 I guess we'll have to join up the queue.
6 Everyone sat there in the silence as the comedian stumbled through his routine.
7 It's not often I laugh out loud during a movie, but *There's Something About Mary* had me roaring out with laughter the whole time.
8 I'm never going to be part with this first edition of Dickens's *Great Expectations*.
9 I have the impression of Sasha's thinking about giving up ballet classes.

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Word patterns

F Complete each second sentence using the word given, so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence. Write between two and five words in each gap.

1 Was the concert fun? **yourself**
Did ..... the concert?

2 I'm sure Kelly will do well in the talent contest. **bound**
Kelly ..... well in the talent contest.

3 Don't worry about your costume; concentrate on learning your lines! **instead**
Concentrate on learning your lines ..... about your costume!

4 We got there early and so we didn't have to queue. **avoid**
We managed to ..... there early.

5 Jason said he was sorry that he hadn't invited us to his party. **apologised**
Jason ..... us to his party.

6 I don't mind if you give me the money for the tickets later. **happy**
I ..... give me the money for the tickets later.

7 Doug isn't usually late. **like**
It ..... be late.

8 Sean plays the guitar very well. **talented**
Sean ..... the guitar.

9 You shouldn't go backstage without a pass. **supposed**
You ..... backstage without a pass.

10 'I'll meet you outside the theatre at eight whatever happens,' said Dan to Kyle. **promised**
Dan ..... outside the theatre at eight.

11 I can't understand why he won the award for best video. **deserved**
I don't think ..... the award for best video.

12 In the end, it was a thoroughly enjoyable evening. **proved**
In the end, it ..... a thoroughly enjoyable evening.

13 I can't remember who you said had won. **say**
Who ..... the winner?

Word formation

G Complete the text by changing the form of the word in capitals.

Reality shows

Despite the (1) ..... (**SUGGEST**) by many critics that reality TV would be a very short-lived phenomenon, it is still increasing in (2) ..... (**POPULAR**). Several reality shows are (3) ..... (**CURRENT**) watched by millions of viewers each night, and it's clearly a form of (4) ..... (**ENTERTAIN**) that's here to stay. Indeed, a number of people have become (5) ..... (**FAME**) because of their (6) ..... (**INVOLVE**) in reality TV shows, and have gone on to have successful careers as singers, (7) ..... (**ACT**) or TV presenters. We can watch with (8) ..... (**EXCITE**) each night the 'goings-on' in the house (or jungle, or bar, or school of arts). The (9) ..... (**CONVERSE**) between the contestants are interesting so we don't get (10) ..... , (**BORE**) and there are frequently (11) ..... (**VARY**) conflicts, which provide further (12) ..... (**AMUSE**). If the contestants have to give some kind of (13) ..... (**PERFORM**) at the end of the week, that's even more appealing. But there's a (14) ..... (**SAY**) in the TV industry: 'it's all in the editing' and this is especially true of reality shows.

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