

Complete the essay. Use **ONE** word in each gap or change the form of the word in brackets. Put the sentences in each **main body paragraph** in the correct order using numbers (1-4).

The Role of Talent in Achieving Success

_____ is a widespread belief that you do not have to be talented in _____ to _____ (SUCCESS) these days. _____ this opinion, it would be wrong to state that talent does not matter, because talent, along with hard work and luck, is an _____ (ESSENCE) component in achieving long-term success.

- _____ instance, there are many people who have become overnight sensations through such platforms _____ YouTube, Instagram, and TikTok.
- To _____ with, becoming famous _____ social media is relatively easy nowadays.
- _____ (HOW), most of these _____ (ACHIEVE) are short-lived and fade away quickly.
- _____ fact, the success of well-known bloggers and _____ (INFLUENCE) is mostly measured by the number of their _____ (FOLLOW).

- _____ (FORTUNE), these shows have become more about creating drama and amusement for viewers rather than discovering real talent.
- _____ (THERE), winning a contest might often have nothing to do with being gifted.
- In _____ (ADD), reality shows on TV have created opportunities for people who would not otherwise have access to the _____ (ENTERTAIN) industry.

- Yet, the _____ (REAL) is that there are many very talented people who do not rise to success.
- The reason for this is that the entertainment industry is _____ (COMPETE), and along with being gifted, you also need to be _____ (DETERMINE) and hardworking as _____ as lucky to achieve success.
- _____ (NEVER), long-term success in any industry requires more than just fame and attention.
- We often see artists on the street and think they deserve a chance to _____ (SUCCESS).

To _____ up, _____ the internet and reality shows provide plenty of opportunities for anyone to become famous regardless _____ how gifted they are, popularity gained _____ social media or television often does not guarantee long-term success. Without the _____ (COMBINE) of talent, hard work and luck, individuals may achieve only temporary fame.