READING

UNIT 4

Late!

I was really late. First, I missed my bus—it drove away from the stop just as I got there. Then, when another bus came, there was really bad traffic. I decided to get out and run to the theater.



Finally, I sprinted in through the backstage door. I could see all the other actors were waiting onstage for me.

"You're late! What were you doing?" the director moaned.

"I'm really sorry," I said. "There was so much traffic and I was stuck on the bus."

"Remember for next time, being on time means you get here early!" The director smiled kindly. "Now quickly get into your costume—the show starts in five minutes."

A Read and choose.

1 What happened to the girl first?

a. She ran in through the backstage door. b. Her bus was in bad traffic. (c.) She missed the bus.

2 What happened when the girl got on the bus?

a. She couldn't get a seat. b. There was really bad traffic. c. The bus driver told her to get off.

3 What word did the author choose to describe how the director spoke?

a. moaned b. laughed c. said

4 How do you think the other actors felt?

a. happy b. worried c. sad

5 Why did the girl get out of the bus and run?

a. She wanted to get in shape. b. She didn't have enough money for her ticket. c. She was late.

6 What word means the same as *sprinted*?

a. walked b. jumped c. ran

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