Complete the text with a suitable word for each blank space.

The English (0) poet and writer of plays is often described as the greatest writer in the English language. Shakespeare was born _____ (1) Stratford-upon-Avon on 23 April 1564. He was _____ (2) oldest son of a rich glove maker and wool merchant. Little is known _____ (3) his childhood, but he probably attended the local grammar school. In 1582 he married Anne Hathaway, and they had three _____(4). In 1588 Shakespeare moved _____(5) London and joined a theatre company. He quickly became _____ (6) as a writer of plays for the company and appeared in his own dramas at the Globe Theatre. He _____ (7) wrote many poems, the best known of which are The Sonnets, a series of love poems to _____ (8) unknown man and a dark lady. The poems are famous for their beautiful _____ (9) and strong emotions. Shakespeare returned to Stratford in about 1611 and died _____ (10) in 1616. His most famous works are the 36 plays he _____ (11) for the London stage: comedies, history plays, tragedies, romances. Some plays have been made into operas, _____(12) and films. Shakespeare's plays are regularly on stage all _____ (13) the world. In Britain they are often performed _____(14) the Royal Shakespeare

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Company. The Globe Theatre has recently been rebuilt near the place of the original theatre. Many people in Britain and the US _____ (15) Shakespeare at school and learn whole poems by heart.

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