

ELLA FITZGERALD

Read the text and choose the correct word for each blank.

Ella Fitzgerald, the great American jazz singer, was born in Virginia in 1917. She (0) _____ to New York when she was a young child.

When Ella was fifteen her mother died, and she went to live with her aunt. This was a hard time in her life and she got into (1) _____ with the police. She (2) _____ money from singing on the street and people started to notice her.

In 1934 she won first prize in a competition, and she (3) _____ a well-known band. By 1938 she was famous and her songs were the best-selling recordings of the time.

Fitzgerald starred in films and appeared in many television shows. She also went on (4) _____ around the world. She died in 1996. In the (5) _____ of many people, she is the greatest ever jazz singer.

