

LEXICAL UNITS

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Angelique Kidjo, _____ as The Queen of African Music, is a great female singer. She was born in Cotonou, Benin, West Africa, and she grew up in Cotonou with eight brothers and sisters. She was _____ up in a family of performers. Angelique took up singing when she was six years old. In 1983 she left for Paris where she studied both Jazz and Law. She couldn't decide between being a lawyer or a musician but thought, "I will _____ a bigger difference to the world if I become a musician," and so she developed her music career. Angelique is _____ at languages and sings in French, English and two African languages: Fon and Yoruba.

Taking part in games and sports teaches young people a lot of very useful skills, as well as helping them to _____ fit and healthy. Firstly, games which _____ more than just a contest between two competitors teach people to have respect for rules, because no game will work unless everyone plays _____ to them. The other thing you discover is that you cannot achieve success by yourself in a team game. You have to _____ each other, otherwise you can never win. Team games also teach you that losing is not the end of the world. You will always have another opportunity and you may be more successful against your opponents next time. It is extremely important to learn how to be a good loser because being able to handle defeat is an important lesson in life.

What's the most beautiful building you've ever visited? Many people agree that the Taj Mahal, built in India in the 17th century, is one of the most magnificent buildings they've ever seen. For example, its walls are made of white marble, which seems to change colours depending on the _____ of light shining on it. What's more, in some of the gardens that _____ the building, there are wonderful fountains and pools of water. Nowadays, the Taj Mahal _____ up to 8 million visitors every year, coming from all over the world. However, increasing levels of pollution in the environment, from vehicles in the area, are becoming a serious issue for the building, so people are no longer permitted to drive close to it. Visitors must either walk from the parking areas or _____ a special bus.