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GOING VIRAL

1 VOCABULARY: Talking about fame

A Match the sentences.

- 1 There are a lot of negative comments about him on gossip websites. d
- 2 He works hard to tell people about problems in our society.
- 3 His name is on the front page of the newspaper today.
- 4 He will go to the party for a few minutes, but then he has to leave.
- 5 He can sing and dance, and he plays the piano.
- 6 Tens of thousands of people watch his video every week.

- a He makes headlines.
- b It gets hits.
- c He raises awareness.
- d He has a bad reputation.
- e He makes concerts entertaining.
- f He will make an appearance.

B Circle the correct words to complete the sentences.

- 1 They asked Colin to *make headlines* / *do the broadcast* since he was the only person with television experience.
- 2 You *have never heard of* / *raise awareness* of someone if you don't know the person's name.
- 3 You should do something kind if you want to *make an appearance* / *catch somebody's attention*.
- 4 In his speech, he plans to *get hits* / *praise his mother* for helping him succeed.
- 5 You might *have a good reputation* / *get publicity* if you do something terrible.
- 6 She never intended to *seek fame* / *praise somebody*; however, everyone in the world knows her name.



2 GRAMMAR: Narrative tenses

A **Circle** the correct words to complete the sentence.

- 1 He hadn't _____ for attention when he planned his cross-country bike ride.
a been looking b been looked c looks
- 2 As the man _____ the young girl, several people were recording it on their cell phones.
a rescuing b rescued c had rescued
- 3 She made her students laugh while she _____ her class.
a is teaching b taught c had taught
- 4 She had been an actor for ten years before people _____ recognizing her.
a had started b start c started
- 5 She had been taking care of animals for a long time before her story _____ in the news.
a appearing b appeared c had been appearing
- 6 People were already talking about her voice as she _____ the song.
a finishes b finishing c finished

B **Underline** the event in each sentence that happens first. If the events happen at the same time, write **S** on the line.

- 1 When Kiley was growing up, she didn't play any sports.
- 2 In high school, she was trying to get in shape, and she started playing on a basketball team.
- 3 She had been playing for about six months before someone wrote an article about her in a magazine.
- 4 Kylie helped her team win game after game, even though she had only been trying to get in shape.
- 5 Kylie hadn't planned on becoming famous before the article appeared in the magazine.
- 6 From then on, during her athletic career, she encouraged other young girls to play sports, too.

3 GRAMMAR AND VOCABULARY

A Respond to **three** of the statements with information so that is true for you. Use the past continuous, past perfect, or past perfect continuous.

- 1 Describe a situation where you or someone you know got a lot of hits on social media.

My friend had been putting pictures of her food on social media for about a year when she started to get a lot of hits.

- 2 Describe a time you or someone you know made headlines.

- 3 Describe how you caught your parents' attention when you were a child.

- 4 Describe a time when someone unexpected made an appearance at a big party or event.

- 5 Describe a situation in which you raised awareness of a social issue.

