

Title: A Spelling Star in Los Angeles

Word Study

Fill in the blanks using the words.

producer	celebrities	actress	spell	applause
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1. Many _____ live in Los Angeles.
2. Long words are difficult for me to _____.
3. The _____ lasted five minutes after he sang.
4. She wants to be a(n) _____ when she grows up.
5. A(n) _____ helps to make TV shows and movies.

Reading Comprehension

A. Circle T for true or F for false.

1. Maria's mother was the producer of a TV show. T / F
2. Studios are places where movies and TV shows are made. T / F
3. Maria expected everyone working at the studio to be having fun. T / F
4. Maria got on TV when she went to see the show. T / F
5. Maria was going to be on TV because she was pretty. T / F

B. Circle the correct word(s).

1. Maria thought it was (funny / exciting) that her mom worked for a studio.
2. Maria (sometimes / only) spelled words that weren't on her list.
3. Maria thought it was (boring / unfair) that she could not be on TV.
4. Maria's mother said she could (break / lose) her job if Maria came to the studio.
5. Maria thought that being on TV would make her mother (upset / proud).

C. Choose the best answer.

1. Why did Maria think she might be in a movie at first?

- a. Because she was pretty
- b. Because she was a good speller
- c. Because she had a ticket to the show
- d. Because her mom was a producer

2. Why did Maria clap and laugh at the TV show?

- a. Because the audience was told to
- b. Because the man's jokes were funny
- c. Because her favorite actor was in the show
- d. Because the camera was pointed at her

3. How did Maria get Universal Studios the first time?

- a. She walked.
- b. She rode a bus.
- c. Her mom drove her.
- d. Her teacher took her.

4. What word did Maria spell when she found out about the big spelling bee?

- a. "Disappointed"
- b. "Television"
- c. "Camera"
- d. "Hooray"

5. What do actresses have to study?

- a. Spelling
- b. Audiences
- c. Producers
- d. Lines

Summary

Fill in the blanks with the words.

disappointed	audience	spelling bee	set	hooray
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Maria was cooking dinner and studying for her spelling bee. Her mother was still at her new job at Universal Studios. Maria was excited about her mother's new job. She hoped her mother could get her on TV or in a movie. Maria was _____ when her mother got home. She still did not have tickets for Maria to visit her job. The next day, Maria went to the studio by herself. She tried to get on the _____ of some TV shows, but she couldn't. The next day at school, Maria won the _____. When she got home, her mom told her she had tickets for a show. Maria was able to be in the _____. When they got home from the studio after the show, there was good news. Maria was going to be in a bigger spelling bee that would be on TV. Maria shouted, "_____!"