

1 Complete the definitions with the words in the box.

A-list celebrity aspire to ~~big name~~ credibility
endorse hit the headlines in the spotlight
public appearance sneak into stalker

- 1 a famous or important person big name
- 2 to have a strong wish or hope to do or have something _____
- 3 to enter somewhere secretly _____
- 4 to suddenly become the main subject of stories in the media _____
- 5 a person who is among the most famous, especially in the entertainment business _____
- 6 the fact that someone can be believed or trusted _____
- 7 a person who illegally follows and watches someone else over a period of time _____
- 8 to make a public statement of your approval or support for something or someone _____
- 9 receiving a lot of public attention _____
- 10 an occasion when someone appears in a place where a lot of people can see them _____

2 Complete the text with words from Exercise 1.

I know a lot of people ¹ aspire to be famous but I don't think I would like to be an ² _____. I mean I'm sure it's flattering to have your photograph taken when you make a ³ _____, such as at the premiere of your new film, when you are all dressed up. However, I would hate to be ⁴ _____ 24 hours a day. I know the media follow ⁵ _____ everywhere in the hope of getting a photograph or story that will ⁶ _____ in the next day's paper. I would also dislike being asked to ⁷ _____ products that I don't necessarily believe in just to give them some ⁸ _____.

3 Complete the sentences with the words in the box and an appropriate preposition.

adviser central engrossed impose
knowledgeable outbreak portrayal
sympathetic

- 1 Terry Jones, who is an expert, was chosen to be an environmental adviser to the government.
- 2 The actress, who was recently selected to be a UN ambassador, is very _____ our cause.
- 3 I am struggling to follow the health regime that my personal trainer has _____ me this month.

- 4 The WHO has reported another _____ Ebola in The Congo this week.
- 5 I think the author's _____ the hero was very refreshing and offered us a very different perspective from the traditional one.
- 6 After having been _____ in her book all day, she then decided to join us at the cinema.
- 7 I think the main actor's performance is _____ the success of the play.
- 8 We are organizing a conference with various journalists, many of whom believe they are very _____ the matter.

4 Choose the correct options to complete the sentences.

- 1 The main character's actions in chapter four are central (to) / for the development of the story.
- 2 Many historians believe the outbreak over / of war in 1914 was inevitable.
- 3 Harry Feather, who was adviser to / for the President for six years, has just decided to resign.
- 4 Mr Brown, whose wife has Alzheimers, is very sympathetic to / for our situation and offered us some helpful advice.
- 5 I can't believe we were misled by / over the quality of this product simply because of who endorsed it.
- 6 The media coverage from / of this story has been relentless and it's time they moved on to something else.
- 7 If I have already read the book, I often don't like an actor's portrayal over / of a character in a film.
- 8 I don't understand how she could be so engrossed in / to that lecture, the majority of which I didn't understand at all.

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- 3 sneak into
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- 6 credibility
- 7 stalker
- 8 endorse
- 9 in the spotlight
- 10 public appearance

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4

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- 5 over
- 6 of
- 7 of
- 8 in