

## Words by Theme Self-assessment

Complete the blog entry below with the given words from Units 1–4. Make sure your answers are grammatically correct.

**Adjective:** charismatic      seasoned

**Noun:** controversy      masterpiece      technique

**Phrasal verb:** come up with      revolve around

**Verb:** convey      embody      publish      treasure      venture

### Stand-up comedy 101: my journey into the laughter factory

Stand-up comedy (1) \_\_\_\_\_ funny stories that make people laugh. In recent years, stand-up comedy schools have emerged to enable aspiring comedians to learn how to (2) \_\_\_\_\_ creative and original jokes.

Lately, I have enrolled in the Stand-up Comedy 101 course. The instructors are (3) \_\_\_\_\_ comedians who possess a wealth of comedic knowledge and experience. Some of them (4) \_\_\_\_\_ even \_\_\_\_\_ their comedy theories in reputable journals. So, it is a great opportunity for me to see them all in one place. They have taught me useful (5) \_\_\_\_\_ like making fun of everyday things and (6) \_\_\_\_\_ thoughtful messages in my jokes. More importantly, I have learnt not to cause (7) \_\_\_\_\_ by joking about sensitive topics. Even though comedy needs to be funny, it should still (8) \_\_\_\_\_ good values like respect for others. These are all lessons that I will (9) \_\_\_\_\_ and remember.

Through this experience, my public speaking skills have improved a lot. I believe that this training will help me in the future when I (10) \_\_\_\_\_ into the world of professional stand-up comedy. It will allow me to be a / an (11) \_\_\_\_\_ performer who can connect with my audience through laughter. I hope that, one day, my performances will be seen as (12) \_\_\_\_\_.

