



What do you think the girl is doing?

How is she feeling?

# THE SUPPORTING ACT

Use the words in the box to complete the story

A 10-year-old girl is so ..... about her Christmas talent show that she practices .....for her performance. As she works on her dance moves at home, outside, at the grocery store, and in a shopping mall, her father is right by her side.

Her father, who is a single parent, is always with her but he ..... distracted and too busy with work and getting even busier as Christmas ..... He's focused on the ..... he has to do and the ..... he needs to run, so he cannot be as supportive as his daughter wants...he doesn't seem to notice how much work his daughter is ..... until the moment that really matters.

The day of the big performance comes. When she sees all the audience .....at her, she freezes and forgets all the moves. But her dad comes out from the .....to help her remember the moves because although he looked ....., he was there the whole time.

On the big night, he proves that the pressures of life can't get ..... of the things that really matter.

chores	distracted	day in and day out	staring	putting in	
excited	errands	crowd	in the way	approaches	remains

**1. Watch the T.V add and talk about how the girl felt...**

- when she came out of the school.
- when she gave her dad the talent show leaflet.
- when her dad answered the call.
- when she rehearsed at home, in the street...

**2. How did her dad feel when he saw her jumping on the scalators?**

**3. Why did she slam the door?**

**4. How did she feel when she ...**

- drew the curtains?
- couldn't remember the dance?
- when her dad came out of the audience to help?
- the dance finished?

*What does BBC stand for?*

*Why do you think this ad is appropriate for this time of the year?*

## **How much do you remember?**

1. How many students were sitting in the background?
2. Did she kiss her dad when she comes out of the school?
3. Was she carrying any books?
4. What was the image on the leaflet?
5. What colour were the headphones?
6. What house chore was her dad doing in the living room?
7. What was there next to the bookshelf?
8. Was it raining while he was fixing the first car?
9. What were they doing in the kitchen?
10. What happened?
11. Were there any Christmas decorations in the kitchen?
12. What colour was the second car he fixed?
13. Did they buy any presents at the shopping centre?
14. Was the T.V in the living room on or off?
15. Was the shopping trolley full or empty?
16. How many women were there in the aisle?
17. Why did she slam the door?
18. What happened afterwards?
19. Did her dad take a picture of her?
20. Why couldn't she start dancing?
21. What move does he refuse to do?