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Explanations

1. The _____ music for the film has been taken from the works of Chopin.
✔ **A) incidental**
Incidental music is the fixed phrase for background music written or chosen for a film, play or TV programme. **Supplementary** means 'extra, added', and it is not used with **music** in this sense.

2. They all sat in the fourth _____ of the cinema.
✔ **D) row**
Seats in a cinema or theatre are arranged in **rows**, as in **We sat in the front row**. A **line** is a queue, a **bench** is a long seat, usually outdoors, and **rank** is used for lines of soldiers or a taxi rank, not for cinema seats.

3. Laurence Olivier gave an excellent _____ in the film.
✔ **C) performance**
The collocation is **give a performance**, meaning the way an actor plays a role. You **play** a **character**, but you do not **give** a character.

4. There was an interesting _____ of the film in the paper last week.
✔ **D) review**
A **review** is an article in a newspaper or magazine that gives an opinion of a film, book or play. Not **resume**, which is a summary, and not **revision**, which means changing or studying something again.

5. What time is the first _____ of the film?
✔ **B) performance**
A **performance** here means one showing of a film at the cinema, as in **the first performance is at 2 p.m.** An **act** is a part of a play, and a **programme** is a printed list or a TV broadcast.

6. There is an interesting _____ nowadays to make films portraying love between youngsters.
✔ **D) trend**
A **trend** is a general development or new fashion, as in **a trend towards shorter films**. A **surge** is a sudden large increase, and a **tradition** is something done for a long time, so neither fits 'nowadays'.

7. "Please put your empty cigarette packets in the _____ bins provided."
✔ **C) litter**
A **litter bin** is a public bin for rubbish such as paper and empty packets. **Junk** and **scrap** mean old, unwanted things, but they do not form a compound with **bin** for public rubbish.

8. Although he is said to be a dramatic actor, he is _____ starring in a musical.
✔ **B) currently**
Currently means 'at the present time' and goes naturally with the present continuous **is starring**. Not **recently** or **lately**: they refer to a period up to now and are normally used with the present perfect, as in **he has recently starred**.

9. The latest video _____ contains details of over one thousand films.
✔ **B) catalogue**
A **catalogue** is a complete list of items, often a long book, so it can hold details of over a thousand films. A **brochure** or a **leaflet** is too short for this, and a **prospectus** describes a school or a company.

10. Hire charges for videotapes are _____ on an overnight basis.
✔ **B) calculated**
Charges are **calculated** on a certain basis, which means they are worked out with numbers, e.g. per night. Not **estimated**, which means only guessed roughly, and not **assessed**, which is used for taxes or damage.

11. "_____ children are not admitted to this film."
✔ **A) Unaccompanied**
Unaccompanied means 'without an adult with them', so these children cannot see the film alone. Not **unattended**, which is used for things left without anyone watching them, as in **unattended bags**.

12. This film is not _____ for children.
✔ **D) suitable**
Suitable for means 'appropriate for' someone or something, as in **not suitable for children**. Not **adapted**: **adapted for** means 'changed to fit', so it does not fit this sentence. **Convenient** means 'easy or useful for your plans', not 'appropriate'.

13. The film started with the heroine's death so most of it was shot in _____.
✔ **B) flashback**
A **flashback** is a scene that shows events from the past. If the film starts with the heroine's death, the earlier events must be shown **in flashback**.

14. I found the last scene extremely _____ and well-directed.

✓ A) moving

Moving means 'causing strong feelings, especially sadness or sympathy', and it is a positive description that fits **well-directed**. Not **pathetic**, which today usually means 'very bad or weak', and **sympathetic** describes a person who shows understanding, not a scene.

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