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Directions: Read the story. Use context clues in the sentences to determine the meaning of the underlined word. Then match the word with its correct meaning below.

OPENING NIGHT

Giselle had the starring role in a production of Swan Lake. She rehearsed her role again and again until she knew it perfectly. She looked forward to opening night with great anticipation. But as the theatre filled with people and the time to begin grew near, Giselle felt apprehensive. What if she made a mistake? “You will be fine,” the Director consoled her. The music commenced and the curtain rose. The show was about to begin! Giselle took a deep breath and took the stage. From that moment, the crowd was transfixed. They watched Giselle’s every, graceful move, and were soon lost in the story. When it was over, Giselle and the rest of the cast got a standing ovation—the entire audience rose to their feet and clapped for what seemed like forever!



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| _____ | 1. | production | A | practiced |
| _____ | 2. | rehearsed | B | excitement |
| _____ | 3. | anticipation | C | fascinated |
| _____ | 4. | apprehensive | D | applause |
| _____ | 5. | consoled | E | began |
| _____ | 6. | commenced | F | performance |
| _____ | 7. | transfixed | G | nervous |
| _____ | 8. | ovation | H | comforted |