Unit 9 Extra practice

1 **Vocabulary music**

Circle the odd word out.

1 ballad   classical   blues   folk
2 dance   melodic   soothing   upbeat
3 busker   composer   instrument   solo artist
4 conservative   cultural   eclectic   sophisticated
5 instrumental   guitar   keyboards   trumpet

2 **Language focus** **the adverb just**

Match the sentences (1–6) with the meanings of *just* (a–f).

1 The tickets cost *just* over $40 because they’re at the front of the theatre.
2 When I got to the stadium, the support band had *just* finished playing.
3 This band *just* play acoustic guitars – they never use amplifiers.
4 This band is *just* what we want for our wedding. Everyone will love them!
5 The concert was *just about* over when the final guest star appeared.
6 It’s *just* brilliant that the band have signed a new album deal!

a a little  
b almost  
c exactly  
d only  
e recently  
f simply

3 **Idioms music**

Complete the crossword using idioms to do with music.

Across

1 I don’t want to blow my own ______________, but I am pleased with my results.
3 She offered to stay late to finish the report, but she made a big song and ______________ about it – I don’t think I’ll ask her again!
5 She’s had a lot of bad news recently, so the job offer was music to her ______________.

Down

1 He was very enthusiastic at first about the proposal, but now he’s changed his ______________ and he’s not keen to continue.
2 Do you want to go into the meeting with a fixed plan, or shall we ______________ it by ear?
4 The discussion about the realities of being a working mother really struck a ______________ with me.
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4 Language focus expressing purpose

Complete the sentences with these expressions.

- for
- in order to
- so as not to
- so that
- so that
- to avoid

1. As part of their daily therapy, we play the patients music from the 1950s ________________ remind them of their childhood.

2. Dan always listened to music through headphones ________________ disturb the other students in his house.

3. This online music store has samples ________________ you can listen to tracks before you download them.

4. Apparently they go to see heavy metal bands ________________ fun! It’s just loud noise as far as I can tell.

5. My girlfriend’s parents are so boring. Last night I went out to a concert ________________ seeing them.

6. The doctors filmed the music therapy sessions ________________ they wouldn’t miss any vital observations.

5 Word focus hit

Choose the correct option to complete the sentences.

1. ‘I think I hit a nerve / hit the right note with Irina when I talked about her job.’
   ‘Yes, she’s very sensitive about her job and doesn’t really like to talk about it.’

2. Justin Timberlake had his first hit / hit the right note when he was only 17.

3. You could carry out the research like that, but it’s a big hit / hit and miss approach. You might not get all the results you need.

4. Is that really the time? I think we ought to hit the road / hit a nerve.

5. The presentation hit just the right note / was a bit hit and miss – it was appropriate for all the members of the team.