

Hans Zimmer asked partner big question on stage

A2+/B1 Grammar gap-fill cloze: past simple positive

Change the verbs into their past simple positive forms before putting them in the correct spaces.

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| B. report | G. manage |
| C. confirm | H. write |
| D. perform | I. star |
| E. announce | J. request |

Famous film music writer Hans Zimmer is 1._____ to have asked for his partner's hand in marriage during a recent performance. Towards the end of a two-night run of shows in London, Zimmer 2._____ his partner, businesswoman Dina De Luca, on stage and asked her to marry him. Zimmer 3._____ the music to the 1994 movie *The Lion King*, which he is best known for.

Zimmer and his orchestra 4._____ his scores from movies new and old, such as *Dune*, *The Dark Knight*, and *Gladiator*. There was more excitement in store for the audience when Zimmer 5._____ De Luca to come up on stage briefly. He said, "I was going to ask you something really important", before asking, "Did you lock the back door? Is the milk in the fridge?" Finally he 6._____ to ask, "Will you marry me?" There was screaming and clapping from the crowd as the newly engaged couple 7._____.

Before continuing the concert, Zimmer jokingly 8._____, "The back door's locked. Everything's good". The show also 9._____ players from the Ukrainian group Odessa Opera Orchestra. Zimmer 10._____ that the musicians were enormously brave to handle playing live while they, "do not know what's going on at home and everything is going on at home".

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