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b) She _____ (to be born) in 1990 in Pennsylvania, where she lived on a Christmas tree farm.		
c) Taylor's talent _____ (to discover <sup>3</sup> ) because she and her family moved to Nashville.		
c) The singer _____ (to give) the Grammy Award for "Album of the Year" only once.		
d) Taylor _____ (to tease <sup>4</sup> ) because she can't do a cartwheel <sup>5</sup> .		
e) Her albums _____ (to buy) by people all over the world.		
f) Her music _____ (to play) only in the USA.		
g) Most of her songs _____ (to write) by Taylor herself.		
h) She _____ (to give) an olive tree <sup>6</sup> as a present a few years ago.		
i) Taylor's cats _____ (to take) on many trips when Taylor travels around the world.		
j) Her social media accounts _____ (to follow) by very few people.		
k) Taylor _____ (to move) by the movie "The Martian".		

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