

Audio script

Task 1. Listen to a radio programme about celebrities whose careers started badly. Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)? Eg.: 0 – T

Man: Hello, and welcome to *Celebrity Watch*. Now, some people think that famous people have an easy life, but that isn't necessarily true. Magazine editor Ruth Philips is in the studio with us today, and she's going to tell us about some of the stars who had a difficult start. Ruth, who's your first celebrity?

Ruth: Well, I'm going to start with one of the richest men in the world: Bill Gates. Did you know that Bill Gates didn't finish university?

Man: Really?

Ruth: Yeah, he went to one of the best universities in the USA, Harvard, but then he left to set up a company before he got his degree. But his first company was a failure, and he didn't make much money. It wasn't until he started Microsoft that Bill Gates became successful.

Man: How interesting! I didn't know that. Who have you got next for us?

Ruth: Film director, Steven Spielberg.

Man: But he's one of the most successful directors in Hollywood!

Ruth: That's right, but it wasn't always that way. When he applied for film school, the school said they didn't him. This happened three times, and so he had to go to a different one. But he didn't stay until the end of the course because he left to become a director. Thirty-five years later, 2002, he went back and finished his degree.

Man: Wow. I never knew. Who's next on your list?

Ruth: Well, our next person is also a Stephen: Stephen King.

Man: The novelist?

Ruth: Yes. Now, when Stephen King started writing his first novel, he decided that he didn't like it, so he threw it away. Fortunately, his wife found it. She read it and told him she thought it was a great story, so he finished it. The novel was *Carrie*, and it went on to sell over four million copies.

Man: Wow! That's a lot of books! Ruth, we've got time for one more. Who is it?

Ruth: The greatest basketball player of all time: Michael Jordan. Jordan was only one metre eighty tall when he was a teen, so he was too short to play for the school team. But he trained hard every night, and he grew ten centimeters at summer, so the following year, the coach gave him a place. By the time he was twenty-one, he was playing for the NBA.

Man: That's incredible! Ruth Philips, thanks for joining us.

Ruth You're welcome.

Task 2. Listen to four speakers talking about the clothes they wear Match speakers 1-4 to sentences A-E. There is one sentence that you do not need. Eg.: 0 – D

Boy: I've got some new trainers and I love them! They're black with orange and white stripes down the side, and I think they're really cool. I wear them everywhere: when I go to school, when I'm out with my friends and when I do things with my family, But I don't wear them when I do sport -I've got an old pair for that. The new ones cost a lot of money, so I need to look after them.

Girl: My sister buys a lot of clothes because she has her own money – she's a nurse at the local hospital. She often gives me things when she doesn't want them any more, but they're usually a bit big for me. But now I've got one of her tops, and I love it! It was too small for her, so it's perfect for me. It's black and white, and it looks great with my new shorts. I wear it all the time.

Boy: My mum isn't very happy about the clothes I wear. She says I look a mess. And she doesn't really like my favourite pair of jeans. They're quite new actually, but the don't look

it. They're quite loose and they are really comfortable, so I wear them a lot. Most of my friends wear the same kind of clothes as me, and they don't have any problems with their parents.

Girl: I'm really excited because it's my birthday next week, and I've got the perfect dress for my party. I'm a bit bored of wearing the same clothes every day and this dress is a bit different - I'm sure none of my friends has anything the same. It's short and it's quite colourful: half of it is black and the other half is pink. I've got some high black shoes and some black tights to wear with it.

**Task 3. Listen to the programme about unusual food and choose the correct answers. Eg.:
0 – C**

Speaker: Hello, and welcome to The Food Show. On the show today, we've got some exciting food from around the world, and three people to taste it. First, we've got Dylan.

Dylan: Hi.

Speaker: And for you we've got a favorite snack from South Africa - caterpillars! Dylan, are you ready?

Dylan: Ew! They're strange! They don't look very nice, but, well, here goes.

Speaker: What do you think?

Dylan: They're OK . . . but they aren't great. They taste of salt and ... nothing, really. In fact, they've got a boring taste. I prefer sweets as a snack.

Speaker: Oh, but sweets are very bad for you, and these caterpillars are very healthy. They've got a lot of protein in. Well done for trying one, Dylan. ... And next, we've got Lauren her food today is very popular in Cambodia in Asia - tarantulas!

Lauren: Oh no! Spiders are scary. And these tarantulas' legs have got hair on them. They're really disgusting . . .

Speaker: Go on, try one! A lot of people like eating them.

Lauren: OK ... Wow. It's a really nice taste! It's like ... umm .

Speaker: Would you like another?

Lauren: Yes, please!

Speaker: And now for our last food. Elsa, are you ready for this? It's a popular meat in Peru. It is ... guinea pig!

Elsa: Oh no! Guinea pigs are lovely pets, but I don't want one - my dinner! Yuk!

Speaker: But it's just meat, Elsa. Do you eat beef?

Elsa: Yes, sometimes, but that's different.

Speaker: Not really. It's all about your culture. The difference around the world are Very interesting. In India, people don't eat beef. A lot of Indians think it's wrong to kill a cow.

Elsa: Really? Well, I can't eat that guinea pig. No way!

Speaker: Oh dear. Lauren, Dylan, would you like some guinea pig meat?

Dylan: Yeah, sure.

Lauren: OK.

Dylan: Yum. It's great. What do you think, Lauren?

Lauren: Yes, it's a delicious taste - like chicken.