

KATE MOSS

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THE READING / TAPESCRIPT

Kate Moss was born in England in 1974. She is best known for her waifish figure, which made her into a hugely successful supermodel. She is also famous for her controversial private life, with its high-profile relationships, party lifestyle and drugs. She changed the look of modelling and started a global debate on eating disorders and her role in the size zero fashion.

Moss became a model at the age of 14. She was at New York's JFK Airport on her way home from a family holiday. The owner of a top modeling agency spotted her and asked her to be one of her models. She hit the big time a year later when she did a photo shoot for 'The Face' magazine.

Moss changed the way models looked in the 1990s. She became a kind of anti-supermodel with her thin, pale, but very fresh and simple look. She has frequently been voted the sexiest woman in the world. She has also worked with all the top brands and designers. She is among the richest women in Britain.

Moss's career has had its ups and downs. She was engaged to rock star Pete Doherty. Their break-up provided tabloid headlines for months. The newspapers cashed in on a 2006 photograph of Moss taking cocaine. Her career was in ruins and many modeling agencies dropped her. However, the scandal only added to her fame. She earns much more now than before and is in great demand.

244 words

Flesch Kinkaid 6.5

SYNONYM MATCH: Match the words from the article on the left with their synonyms on the right. Are your answers the same as other students'?

Paragraphs 1 and 2

- | | |
|---------------------|----------------------|
| 1. hugely | a. illnesses |
| 2. debate | b. noticed |
| 3. disorders | c. discussion |
| 4. top | d. became successful |
| 5. spotted | e. very |
| 6. hit the big time | f. leading |

Paragraphs 3 and 4

- | | |
|-------------------|----------------------------|
| 7. kind of | g. split |
| 8. frequently | h. high and low points |
| 9. among | i. sort of |
| 10. ups and downs | j. included in |
| 11. break-up | k. made lots of money from |
| 12. cashed in on | l. regularly |

PHRASE MATCH: Match the following phrases from the article.

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. She is best known | a. spotted her |
| 2. started a global debate | b. headlines for months |
| 3. her role in the size | c. of anti-supermodel |
| 4. The owner of a top modeling agency | d. richest women in Britain |
| 5. She hit the big | e. on eating disorders |
| 6. She became a kind | f. for her waifish figure |
| 7. She is among the | g. zero fashion |
| 8. Moss's career has had its ups | h. in ruins |
| 9. Their break-up provided tabloid | i. time a year later |
| 10. Her career was | j. and downs |

LISTENING GAP FILL:

Kate Moss was born in England in 1974. She is best known _____ figure, which made _____ successful supermodel. She is also famous for her controversial private life, with its _____ relationships, party lifestyle and drugs. She changed the look of modelling and started a global debate on eating disorders _____ the size zero fashion.

Moss became a model _____. She was at New York's JFK Airport on her way home from a family holiday. The owner of a top modeling agency _____ asked her to be one of her models. She _____ a year later when she _____ for 'The Face' magazine.

Moss changed _____ in the 1990s. She became a kind of anti-supermodel with her _____ very fresh and simple look. She _____ voted the sexiest woman in the world. She has also worked with all the top brands and designers. She _____ richest women in Britain.

Moss's career has had _____. She was engaged to rock star Pete Doherty. Their break-up provided _____ for months. The newspapers _____ 2006 photograph of Moss taking cocaine. Her _____ and many modeling agencies dropped her. However, the scandal only added to her fame. She _____ than before and is in great demand.

CHOOSE THE CORRECT WORD:

Delete the wrong word in each of the pairs of italics.

Kate Moss was born in England in 1974. She is best *knowing / known* for her waifish figure, which made her *into / onto* a hugely successful supermodel. She is also famous for her controversial private life, with its high-profile relationships, party lifestyle and drugs. She changed the *look / looking* of modelling and started a global debate on eating disorders and her *roll / role* in the size zero fashion.

Moss became a model at the age of 14. She was at New York's JFK Airport *on / at* her way home from a family holiday. The *own / owner* of a top modeling agency spotted *her / she* and asked her to be one of her models. She hit the big time *over / a* year later when she did a photo shoot for 'The Face' magazine.

Moss changed the way models *looked / look* in the 1990s. She became a kind of anti-supermodel with her *think / thin, pale / pail*, but very fresh and simple look. She has frequently been voted the sexiest woman in the world. She has also worked with all the top brands and designers. She is *among / between* the richest women in Britain.

Moss's career has had *her / its* ups and downs. She was engaged to rock star Pete Doherty. Their break-up provided tabloid headlines *since / for* months. The newspapers cashed *in / on* on a 2006 photograph of Moss taking cocaine. Her career was in *destruction / ruins* and many modeling agencies dropped her. However, the scandal only added to her fame. She earns much more now than before and is in great demand.

SPELLING:

These jumbled words are from the text. Spell them correctly.

Paragraph 1

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2. a hgyelu successful supermodel
3. a global btdae on eating disorders
4. her role in the size zroe fashion

Paragraph 2

5. Moss became a modle at the age of 14
6. on her way home from a imyalf holiday
7. The owner of a top modeling agency petstod her
8. she did a photo oohst for 'The Face' magazine

Paragraph 3

9. Moss changed the way models edlkoo
10. very fresh and elpism look
11. She has rltefuqyne been voted the sexiest woman in the world
12. She is nmoga the richest women in Britain

Paragraph 4

13. Moss's career has had its ups and nodws
14. She was negaegd to rock star Pete Doherty
15. Her career was in iurns
16. the scandal only ddeda to her fame

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

Number these lines in the correct order.

- (**1**) Kate Moss was born in England in 1974. She is best known for her waifish figure, which
- () added to her fame. She earns much more now than before and is in great demand.
- () career was in ruins and many modeling agencies dropped her. However, the scandal only
- () Moss became a model at the age of 14. She was at New York's JFK Airport on her way
- () made her into a hugely successful supermodel. She is also famous for her controversial
- () private life, with its high-profile relationships, party lifestyle and drugs. She changed the look of
- () home from a family holiday. The owner of a top modeling agency spotted her and asked her to be
- () modelling and started a global debate on eating disorders and her role in the size zero fashion.
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- () provided tabloid headlines for months. The newspapers cashed in on a 2006 photograph of Moss taking cocaine. Her
- () among the richest women in Britain.
- () one of her models. She hit the big time a year later when she did a photo shoot for 'The Face' magazine.
- () thin, pale, but very fresh and simple look. She has frequently been voted the sexiest woman
- () in the world. She has also worked with all the top brands and designers. She is
- () Moss's career has had its ups and downs. She was engaged to rock star Pete Doherty. Their break-up

SCRAMBLED SENTENCES

With your partner, put the words back into the correct order.

1. She figure waifish her for known best is

2. for She her is controversial also private famous life

3. started global on disorders a debate eating

4. family a from home way her on holiday

5. the time year hit big a She

6. Moss looked changed in the the way 1990s models

7. in women richest the among is She Britain

8. and ups its had has career Moss's downs

9. ruins was Her in career

10. only to fame scandal added her the

DISCUSSION (Write your questions):

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. What do you know about Kate Moss?
2. Would you like to meet Kate Moss?
3. What would you like to know about Kate Moss and why?
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____

DISCUSSION (Write your questions):

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. What did you learn from this text about Kate Moss?
2. What questions would you like to ask Kate Moss?
3. What would her answers be to those questions?
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____

THE KATE MOSS SURVEY:

Write five questions about Kate Moss in the table. Do this in pairs/groups. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper.

Without your partner, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

Return to your original partner(s) and share and talk about what you found out. Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

HOMEWORK

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find more information about Kate Moss. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. KATE MOSS POSTER: Make a poster showing the different stages of the life of Kate Moss. Show your poster to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all find out similar things?

4. MAGAZINE ARTICLE: Write a magazine article about Kate Moss. Include an imaginary interview with her. Write about what she does every day and what she thinks about.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

5. LETTER: Write a letter to Kate Moss. Ask her three questions about her life. Give her three suggestions on what she should do in her future. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your "Kate Moss expert" partner(s) will try and answer your questions.

ANSWERS

SYNONYM MATCH:

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| 2. started a global debate | b. on eating disorders |
| 3. her role in the size | c. zero fashion |
| 4. The owner of a top modeling agency | d. spotted her |
| 5. She hit the big | e. time a year later |
| 6. She became a kind | f. of anti-supermodel |
| 7. She is among the | g. richest women in Britain |
| 8. Moss's career has had its ups | h. and downs |
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ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Look at the text on page 2.