



Caroline and Martin

Who are they?

Caroline and Martin both do backstage theatre work in London, working behind the scenes on lighting, sound, and so on. Caroline is 23 and speaks with an RP accent. Martin is 27 and speaks with a South Welsh accent.

They met while they were studying to become theatre technicians at RADA (the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art in London).



Check Caroline and Martin's background information and answer the following questions.

1. How many theatre-related words can you think of?
2. What hours do you expect Caroline and Martin to work?
3. What are the advantages and disadvantages of working in the theatre?
4. Caroline and Martin recently moved back to London from Leicester in the Midlands – the centre of England. What are their possible reasons for moving?



Normalisation

This first exercise is designed to help you get used to Caroline's and Martin's voices. Listen to the first part of the interview and answer the questions.

1. What time did Caroline and Martin start work at the theatre in Leicester?
2. What time did Martin normally wake up when he was living in Leicester?
3. How many days a week did Caroline and Martin work in Leicester?
4. What was the maximum number of hours they worked per week in Leicester?