

READING ACTIVITY UNIT 11

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International Movie Stars

Rose Byrne, Mia Wasikowska, and Margot Robbie are three famous actresses who work in Hollywood, and they have many things in common.

All three come from Australia, and before they went to Hollywood, their first acting jobs were in Australian TV dramas and soap operas. They've acted in some very popular movies and TV. Rose was in *Bridesmaids*, two *X-Men* movies, and the *Peter Rabbit* series of movies. Mia was in *Jane Eyre* and *Alice Through the Looking Glass*. Margot was in *The Legend of Tarzan*; *I, Tonya*; and *Mary Queen of Scots*. All three women have won awards in the U.S. and Australia for their acting.

However, they have done some interesting and unusual things away from the movie business. Rose has worked for UNICEF in Australia. She's also a model and has been in TV commercials for the makeup company Max Factor. Margot was in the movie *The Legend of Tarzan*. Before she started filming that movie, she learned to swing on a circus trapeze. She also learned to ice-skate to play Tonya Harding in the movie *I, Tonya*. Mia studied dance in school and has directed some short films. Now she really loves taking photos and won a national prize in Australia for one of her photos.

Rose, Mia, and Margot are not just three amazing actresses, they are three amazing women.



FACT FILE: MARGOT ROBBIE

Born 1990 Dalby, Australia
Childhood Australia
Lives Los Angeles



FACT FILE: MIA WASIKOWSKA

Born 1989 Canberra, Australia
Childhood Australia & Poland
Lives Sydney



FACT FILE: ROSE BYRNE

Born 1979 Sydney, Australia
Childhood Australia
Lives New York

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A. What do you think they have in common?

- a They went to the same school.
- b They all lived in Australia.
- c They were models before they became actresses.
- d They are married to movie directors.

B. Read the article and answer the questions to the quiz.

Which actress: ... ?

- 1** has been in a makeup advertisement
- 2** can dance well
- 3** likes to use her camera a lot
- 4** can ice-skate well
- 5** has been in TV commercials
- 6** learned to swing on a circus trapeze

C. Who do you think is the most interesting actress? Why?

D. Do you know any other famous Australian actors or actresses?