

We all know Katniss Everdeen in *The Hunger Games*, but who is the actress who plays her, Jennifer Lawrence?



Fast Facts

Name: Jennifer Shrader Lawrence

Place of birth: Kentucky, USA

Date of birth: August 15, 1990

Profession: TV and film actress

Jen's family

Mother: Karen Lawrence

Father: Gary Lawrence

Brothers: Ben and Blaine Lawrence

Did you know?

Jennifer has never had acting classes.

When she was a child Jennifer liked sports and she played hockey and basketball for an all-boys team. She also worked as a model. At the age of 14 she knew she wanted to be an actress, so she went to New York City to look for work. She appeared in advertisements for MTV and the fashion company H&M and got work as an actress on TV. Her family moved to Los Angeles so that Jennifer could work on TV and in films. In 2010 she acted in the film *Winter's Bone* and she was nominated for many awards including an Oscar. In 2012 she starred in the film *The Hunger Games* as Katniss Everdeen. When she isn't working, Jen likes painting, surfing and playing the guitar.

True or False

1. Jennifer is American.
2. Jennifer was born in July.
3. She has two brothers.
4. Jennifer took acting classes at school.
5. Jennifer has done some modelling.
6. Jennifer was nominated for an Oscar in 2010.
7. She likes playing the piano.
8. Jennifer's family supported her dreams to be an actress.

