

TASK 1

KATE WINSLET SHARES HER ACTING SECRETS

You will hear the actress Kate Winslet talking about her acting secrets. Choose the best option (a, b or c) to complete the following sentences.

Write your answers in the boxes. Number 0 is given as an example..

0. Kate Winslet's attitude towards acting can be defined as being...

- a) expectant for something to happen.
- b) confident of her own skills as an actress.
- c) unprepared to overcome challenges.

1. According to Kate Winslet, an actor should prepare for a role...

- a) almost obsessively.
- b) progressively, increasing its intensity.
- c) with the contribution of others.

2. When films are based on books, Kate Winslet claims that...

- a) most directors tell actors not to read the book.
- b) unless told not to, she will read the book.
- c) she will read the book no matter what the director says.

3. One of the main difficulties actors face is...

- a) keeping concentration up.
- b) doing what you had planned to do.
- c) coping with stress.

4. As to doing a good job, Kate Winslet admits that...

- a) she expects it because of her experience.
- b) she is willing to cooperate with others.
- c) she needs her own space in order to improve.

5. Making a film is such an intense process that...

- a) you are desperate for it to finish.
- b) you feel relieved once it is finished.
- c) you regret the fact that it is finished.

6. Kate Winslet's view on advising other actors is that...

- a) they should not feel the need to ask for help.
- b) they should be able to help each other.
- c) they cannot expect any useful advice from each other.

7. Kate Winslet's message to actors at the beginning of their career is that...

- a) reward comes in the end, so they must be patient.
- b) mistakes are frustrating if they are unexpected.
- c) it is necessary to be tenacious and hard-working.

8. Kate Winslet recommends avoiding mirrors because...

- a) actors will reproduce that mental image of themselves.
- b) no mirrors can be used on set when shooting.
- c) it turns acting into something artificial.

TASK 2

You will hear a recording about Singapore. For questions 1-10 complete the gaps with only ONE word, according to the information you hear.

Number 0 is given as an example. Write your answers in CAPITAL LETTERS in the grid below.

0. Singapore is one of the most ____ densely ____ populated countries in the world.
1. For many years, it was the _____ of the British Empire.
2. It became a republic in _____.
3. Chinatown's old shophouses are now restaurants, boutique hotels and _____.
4. Little India spreads over some streets in just a few city _____.
5. Go to the Singapore Botanic Gardens and National Orchid Garden to escape the _____.
6. For a(n) _____ experience go to the Bukit Timah Nature Reserve.
7. The Singapore Zoo has the largest captive _____ of orangutans in the world.
8. You can go to Sentosa by _____ car.
9. At East Coast Park busy Singaporeans can _____.
10. Gardens by the Bay is an example of the _____ possibilities of mankind's imagination.