1 READING & SPEAKING

a Look at the photos of Florence Welch and Dan Stevens and read their biographical info. Have you heard any of her music, or seen any of his TV series or films? What did you think of them?

b Now read the interviews and complete the questions.

c Read the interviews again and focus on their answers. Write **F** (Florence) or **D** (Dan). Which question(s) helped you answer **F** or **D**?

Who do you think...?

1 ☐ doesn't eat any animal products
2 ☐ doesn't have a partner at the moment
3 ☐ is currently living in the USA
4 ☐ prefers to keep some things private
5 ☐ is quite romantic
6 ☐ is very family-oriented
7 ☐ spends a lot of time online
8 ☐ thinks more about themselves than other people

d Which of the questions in the interviews do you think are...?

- the most interesting
- the least interesting
- too personal to ask a person if you don't know them well

e Choose six questions from *Q&A* to ask your partner.

Politely refusing to answer a question

If you are asked a question you think is inappropriate, or simply don't want to answer, you can say, *I'd prefer not to answer that* or *I'd rather not answer that if you don't mind.*

Glossary
headline *(verb)* to be the main performer at a concert
BRITs the British annual pop music awards

Q&A

Every week the British newspaper *The Guardian* chooses people who have been in the news recently, and publishes a short interview with them called **Q&A**.





Florence Welch is the lead singer of the band Florence and the Machine. She was born in London in 1986, and in 2010, her first album, *Lungs*, won best album award at the BRITs. She has headlined at the Glastonbury Festival, and the band's fourth album, *High as Hope*, reached number two in the US and UK charts.

1 **_____'s your most treasured possession?**
My notebooks with all my lyrics.

2 **What _____ you want to be when you were growing up?**
A zoologist or a secretary.

3 **What _____ you like about yourself?**
I can be very self-centred.

4 **What _____ your most embarrassing moment?**
It was about five years ago, and I'm still not ready to talk about it. It was something involving dating.

5 **What or _____ is the greatest love of your life?**
I think that hasn't happened yet.

6 **What _____ your superpower be?**
To be able to fall asleep exactly when I need to, for exactly the right amount of time.

7 **_____ would you most like to be right now?**
I am always away, so it would be quite nice to be at home in London.

8 **_____ you ever said 'I love you' and not meant it?**
No. I always felt it at that moment.

9 **_____ word or phrase do you most overuse?**
'What's the wi-fi password?'

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Dan Stevens, the actor, was born in Surrey in 1982. He played Matthew Crawley in the TV series *Downton Abbey*, until his character died suddenly in a special Christmas episode. He has since starred in many successful TV series and films, including *Beauty and the Beast*, *The Man Who Invented Christmas*, and *Legion*.



1 _____ **were you happiest?**
My wedding day, eight years ago.

2 **What** _____ **you owe your parents?**
A lot – and probably quite a lot of money.

3 _____**'s your wallpaper?**
A photo of my kids, Willow, Aubrey, and Eden, who are eight, five, and one.

4 _____ **keeps you awake at night?**
My three kids.

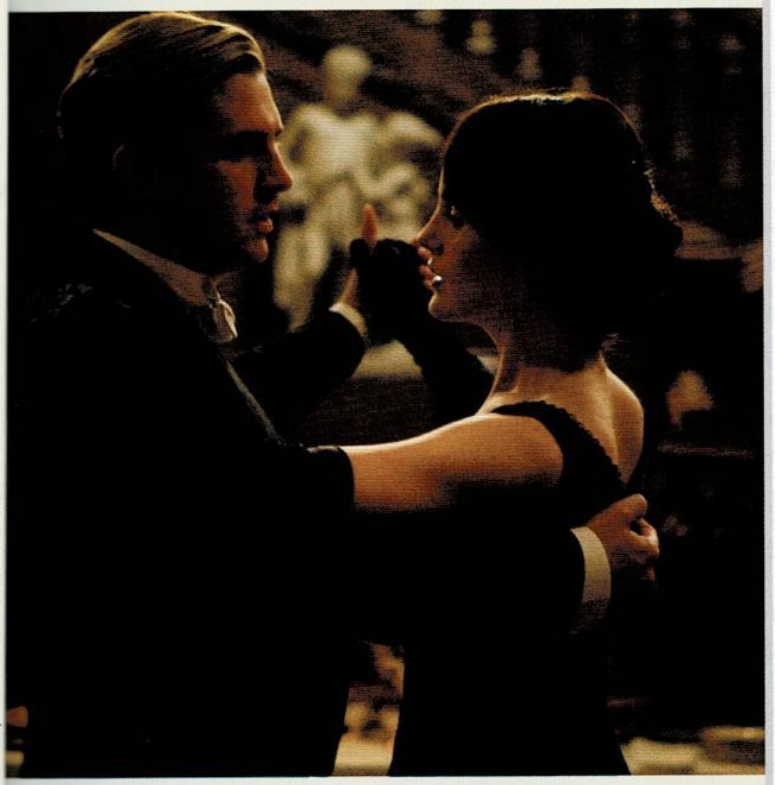
5 _____ **would you most like to say sorry to?**
To *Downton Abbey* fans, for ruining their Christmas one year.

6 **What single thing** _____ **improve the quality of your life?**
One of those robot vacuum cleaners.

7 _____ **do you relax?**
I go for walks in Griffith Park, in LA.

8 **What** _____ **love feel like?**
As if somebody's painted the world a different colour.

9 _____ **you have a 'guilty pleasure'?**
Yes, vegan cheesecake.



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