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I'M STILL HERE

Fernanda Torres is a famous actress from Brazil. In 2024, she won the Best Actress Award at the Golden Globes in Portugal for her role in the movie "Ainda Estamos Aqui" (We Are Still Here). This was a very special moment in her career.



"Still Here" (Ainda Estamos Aqui) is a Brazilian film released in 2024, starring Fernanda Torres. The movie tells the story of a woman



and her elderly mother who return to their old beach house. The place holds memories of a man they both loved — the woman's father and the mother's husband

— who died many years ago.

The film is about grief, memory, love, and silence. It shows how the past continues to live inside us, and how people express emotions in different ways. There is not much talking in the film, but the feelings are strong. Winning the Golden Globe was very important for Fernanda. It showed that her performance touched many people in other countries. It also showed how Brazilian cinema is growing and receiving international respect.



At the award ceremony, Fernanda gave a speech in English, even though her English was not perfect. She spoke with a Brazilian accent and made jokes about it. She was confident, honest, and funny. Many people on the internet loved her speech. They said it was real, brave, and inspiring.

Her moment was important because it reminded us that English is a global language, and many people speak it with different accents. You don't need to sound "perfect" to be understood. Fernanda showed that confidence and communication are more important than speaking like a native speaker. Her speech helped many people feel proud of their own voice in English.



Choose the correct answer:

1. Why was winning the Golden Globe important for Fernanda Torres?

- a) It was her first time in Portugal.
- b) It proved that her performance had an international impact.
- c) It helped her get a job in Hollywood



2. What is the relationship between the two main characters in the film?

- a) They are sisters.
- b) They are friends.
- c) They are mother and daughter.

3. What does the beach house represent in the movie?

- a) A place to start a new life
- b) A family vacation spot
- c) A connection to their memories and grief

4. What style of film is *Still Here*?

- a) Action-packed with fast scenes
- b) Light comedy with jokes and humor
- c) Slow-paced and emotional



5. What can we understand about Fernanda's speech in English?

- a) She spoke like a native speaker.
- b) She made fun of herself and spoke with confidence.
- c) She refused to speak because of her accent.



6. What message did many people take from her speech?

- a) Communication matters more than perfect pronunciation.
- b) Brazilian Portuguese is becoming a global language.
- c) Speaking English without an accent is essential.

7. What does the film show about emotions?

- a) People can express strong feelings even without many words.
- b) Only talking can show real emotions.
- c) Emotions are not important in this story.

8. Why did people on the internet admire Fernanda's moment?

- a) Because she wore a beautiful dress
- b) Because she was authentic, natural, and brave in her speech
- c) Because she acted like a Hollywood star

