

Task 4

- You are going to read about a famous dyslexic actress. In most lines there is one word that should not be there. It is either grammatically incorrect or does not fit in with the sense of the text.
- Read the text and then copy the extra word in the space provided after each line.
- Some lines are correct. Indicate these lines with a tick (✓).
- The task begins with two examples (0).

Keira Knightley



- 0) Did you know actress Keira Knightley originally got into
0) acting because of her learning disability? Having diagnosed

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28) with dyslexia at age six, Knightley struggled with reading
 29) in the school. Her parents took quick notice, but the only
 30) way they could not get the aspiring actress to improve
 31) was to use an incentive. According to Knightley, she was
 32) struck a deal with her parents where, if she was able to learn
 33) to read, they would hire an agent for her. So far, over the
 34) summer holiday, she took after the challenge and used the
 35) screenplay of Emma Thompson's adaptation of *Sense and Sensibility* as her reading tool. Knightley's mother, who worked with Thompson on the screenplay, encouraged for her daughter to learn to read, because of "that's what Emma Thompson would do." Eventually Knightley learned to read, and her parents fulfilled their promise to hire an agent for her, which launched her acting career. She has since gone on to star in films such as *Pride and Prejudice* and the *Pirates of the Caribbean* films. She maintains that her dyslexia hasn't affected her ability to learn her lines.

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