

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.