

Cousins and Brothers
Test - August 2023



Jackie Collins was an English writer. She sold over 500 million books.

She was born in London, but lived in California. She went to an expensive girls' school, but left when she was only 15. When she was very young she was an actress, but she was not very good, so she went to Los Angeles to stay with her older sister (the famous actress Joan Collins).

She wrote her first book in 1968 and it became a bestseller. In 2011 she had a fortune of £60 million and was the UK's fifth richest writer. One of her books, *Hollywood Wives*, was number one in the *New York Times*; it sold 15 million books. It was also a famous TV series.

From 2000–2010 Jackie wrote eight bestsellers! Jackie was very successful, but a lot of people said her books were bad! Jackie always said the biggest critics of her books were the people who never read them.

She was 77 years old when she died in Beverly Hills, California.

Glossary

critic a writer who writes or says what they think about a book, film or piece of music

Answer the questions about Jackie Collins.

1 When and where was she born?

2 How old was she when she left school?

3 Was she a good actress?

4 Who was her sister?

5 Which of her books was a TV series?

6 How old was she when she died?

Complete the text with the missing verbs in the right form. (Present simple, present continuous, past simple)

Rob and Jenny usually _____ (go) to Italy for vacations but last year, they _____ (visit) Paris. Every year, they _____ (drive) their car, but last year, they _____ (rent) a caravan. They usually _____ (swim), _____ (stay) in a hotel, and _____ (eat) in restaurants. Jenny _____ (like) Japanese food and Rob _____ (Prefer) Italian food he _____ (not like) Japanese food. She usually _____ (read) books and _____ (walk) on the Beach when they go to Italy. But last year they _____ (not go) to Italy because their car _____ (be) broken. Now, they _____ (look) at the pictures and _____ (remember) their vacations in Paris.

Make the following sentences negative:

- 1) Tizi goes to school every day.
- 2) Valen and Benja have a sister.
- 3) Delfi and Tizi are cousins.
- 4) We are doing an exam now.
- 5) I had chicken for lunch yesterday.
- 6) I studied a lot for the exam.

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