

## I'm just another kid from Brooklyn

Title and purpose

**A** Circle the correct answers.

1. What does the title of the article show?
  - a. Woody Allen is a wealthy celebrity.
  - b. Woody Allen is glad he's from Brooklyn.
  - c. Woody Allen thinks anyone can become a celebrity.
  - d. Woody Allen is younger than his fans think.
2. What is the purpose of the photograph?
  - a. to help fans in New York recognize Woody Allen
  - b. to give a picture of Woody Allen during the interview
  - c. to promote the styles that Woody Allen wears
  - d. to show what typical New York residents wear
3. Who probably interviewed Woody Allen for the article?
  - a. one of his employees
  - b. a Woody Allen movie fan
  - c. a Manhattan Film Center employee
  - d. a *Daily News* reporter

Details

**B** Mark each statement about the effects of being famous advantage (A) or disadvantage (D).

- D   1. I'm in the public eye all the time.
2. I get tickets to sports games.
3. I can find tickets to Broadway shows.
4. I see doctors on weekends.
5. I've given up a lot of my privacy.
6. Fans adore me irrationally.
7. I get a good table when I go to a restaurant.
8. There is sometimes gossip about me.

Complex sentences

**C** Match the beginnings of each sentence with its correct ending.

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| <u>  e  </u> 1. I would be a complainer if                                | a. <i>Stardust Memories</i> came out.                    |
| <u>      </u> 2. John Lennon was shot by a fan after                      | b. I have been famous for many years.                    |
| <u>      </u> 3. I can write about being a celebrity because              | c. they have a lot of time and money.                    |
| <u>      </u> 4. People in the U.S. are interested in celebrities because | d. I get some benefits, too.                             |
| <u>      </u> 5. My films would not be successful if                      | e. I didn't really enjoy some things about being famous. |
| <u>      </u> 6. I can accept the disadvantages of being famous if        | f. I weren't popular in Europe.                          |

## California law has paparazzi shuddering

Summarizing

**A** Circle the correct words to complete the summary.

The law (1) **aims** / **prohibits** / **equips** photographers from (2) **following** / **clamping down on** / **trespassing on** private property. Supporters (3) **contend** / **invade** / **guarantee** it will (4) **punish** / **invade** / **protect** the privacy of celebrities. Opponents of the law say it (5) **limits** / **violates** / **applies** the First Amendment.

Restating

**B** Find the phrases in *italics* in the reading. Check (✓) the meaning of each phrase.

- California law *has paparazzi shuddering* (title)
  - \_\_\_ a. is destroying paparazzi
  - ✓ b. is scaring paparazzi
- photographers *who make a living* by taking pictures (par. 1)
  - \_\_\_ a. who make money by
  - \_\_\_ b. who live only to
- to keep the press *at bay* (par. 5)
  - \_\_\_ a. doing their job
  - \_\_\_ b. far enough away
- does not *single out* paparazzi (par. 6)
  - \_\_\_ a. focus only on
  - \_\_\_ b. only allow unmarried
- a *free press* (par. 8)
  - \_\_\_ a. news that isn't expensive
  - \_\_\_ b. news that isn't controlled

Inferencing

**C** Do these statements support or oppose the California law? Check (✓) the correct column.

		Support	Oppose
1.	Celebrities have a right to privacy, too.	✓	
2.	Photojournalists can't do their jobs.		
3.	The law violates the First Amendment.		
4.	I think the law is fair.		
5.	The law only prevents invasion of privacy.		
6.	The wording of the law is vague.		

CHALLENGE

**D** Complete the statement. Use your own ideas.

I **support** / **oppose** the California law because \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

## Fan club confessions

Text organization

**A** Complete the outline with the words and phrases from the box.

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|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> acting  | <input type="checkbox"/> movie stars | <input type="checkbox"/> sports            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> become vegetarians | <input type="checkbox"/> music       | <input type="checkbox"/> views on morality |
| <input type="checkbox"/> creative writing   | <input type="checkbox"/> musicians   | <input type="checkbox"/> work ethic        |

I. Attitudes fans change to be like idols

- A. \_\_\_\_\_  
B. \_\_\_\_\_

II. Activities fans change to be like idols

- A. *acting* \_\_\_\_\_  
B. \_\_\_\_\_  
C. \_\_\_\_\_  
D. \_\_\_\_\_  
E. \_\_\_\_\_

III. Most popular idols

- A. \_\_\_\_\_  
B. \_\_\_\_\_

Context clues

**B** Find the words in *italics* in the reading. Then complete the sentences. (Be careful! There is one extra word.)

<i>18-year-olds</i> (par. 1)	<i>self-worth</i> (par. 3)	<i>well-respected</i> (par. 7)
<i>emulate</i> (par. 2)	<i>starry-eyed</i> (par. 1)	<del><i>world-famous</i></del> (par. 1)

- These musicians are *world-famous* \_\_\_\_\_. They are popular on every continent.
- Many fans are \_\_\_\_\_, and don't see their idols realistically.
- Until recently, acting wasn't a \_\_\_\_\_ profession.
- Failure often injures a person's feelings of \_\_\_\_\_.
- Timmy really admires his older brother, so he tries to \_\_\_\_\_ him.

Details

**C** Check (✓) the statements that are true.

1. Most students said they weren't influenced by media figures.  
 2. Most of the celebrities students idolized were men.  
 3. Women tend to idolize men who are mentors or heroes.  
 4. People like to think that others develop their sense of self.  
 5. People only idolize living celebrities.

CHALLENGE

**D** Correct the false statements in Exercise C.