


The Price of Fame

New Opportunities – Intermediate

Module 4 Lesson 15



Before you start look at the photos and
tell what do you know about those
people.





James Byron Dean (February 8, 1931 – September 30, 1955) was a two-time Oscar - nominated American film actor.



John Winston Ono Lennon, (9 October 1940 – 8 December 1980) was an Academy Award-winning English rock musician, singer, and songwriter who gained worldwide fame as one of the founding members of The Beatles.

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Heath Ledger

Date of birth 4 April 1979, Perth, Australia. Date of dead 22 January 2008, New York City, USA (accidental overdose of prescription drugs).



Elvis Aaron Presley (January 8, 1935 – August 16, 1977;)a was an American singer, actor, and musician. He is commonly known simply as "Elvis", and is also sometimes referred to as "The king of Rock'n'Roll" or "The King".

Match the words with the definitions.

celebrity fame fan mass hysteria mass media the press stress

1. a keen follower
2. a famous person
3. radio, TV and newspaper
4. pressure caused by difficulties in life
5. the state of being well-known
6. journalists and photographers

There is one word extra

Listen to the record and answer true (T) or false (F)



1. The first big 'star' appeared in the USA in the 1930s.
2. Rudolph Valentino attracted a lot of excited fans.
3. Celebrities are more famous nowadays because of the mass media.
4. Film stars do adverts as part of their film contracts.
5. Paparazzi are aggressive photographers.
6. John Lennon was killed in a car crash.
7. Many famous celebrities have died young.
8. James Dean starred in three films.

The End

