

# NAOMI CAMPBELL

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## THE READING / TAPESCRIPT

Naomi Campbell was one of the most beautiful supermodels of the 1990s. Born in 1970, she hails from London, England. Her mother was a Jamaican dancer. Her father left when she was just two months old. She gets her exotic looks from her Jamaican-Chinese grandmother. Naomi said: "My features are completely ethnic, and I'm proud of them."

Success came early for the young Naomi. Her first job was at the age of seven in a Bob Marley video. At 15, a modelling agency spotted her shopping in London and within a year she was on the front cover of 'Elle' magazine. The rest is history. She has appeared on the cover of fashion magazines over 500 times.

Campbell has led the life of a celebrity. She was the first black cover girl for 'Vogue' magazine and appeared nude for Playboy. She has been linked romantically to Mike Tyson and Robert de Niro. She released a music album which sold over a million copies and was number one in Japan. Her ambitions have also resulted in her own fashion and perfume brands.

Since 1997, Campbell has been involved in charity work. She says one of her greatest joys was working with Nelson Mandela, helping children in Sub-Saharan Africa. In 2005, she helped create the event *Fashion Relief*, which raised millions for Hurricane Katrina victims. Campbell also has a less enviable side to her character. She has a history of arrests for physically and verbally abusing others.

247 words

Flesch Kinkaid 8.0

**SYNONYM MATCH:** Match the words from the article on the left with their synonyms on the right. Are your answers the same as other students'?

*Paragraphs 1 and 2*

- |               |                |
|---------------|----------------|
| 1. hails      | a. totally     |
| 2. looks      | b. seen        |
| 3. completely | c. comes       |
| 4. success    | d. front       |
| 5. spotted    | e. achievement |
| 6. cover      | f. appearance  |

*Paragraphs 3 and 4*

- |                |                  |
|----------------|------------------|
| 7. nude        | g. delights      |
| 8. linked      | h. record        |
| 9. ambitions   | i. connected     |
| 10. joys       | j. goals         |
| 11. impressive | k. naked         |
| 12. history    | l. extraordinary |

**PHRASE MATCH:** Match the following phrases from the article.

- |                                       |                                 |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. she hails                          | a. abusing others               |
| 2. She gets her exotic looks from her | b. the young Naomi              |
| 3. Success came early for             | c. is history                   |
| 4. a modelling agency spotted         | d. romantically to Mike Tyson   |
| 5. The rest                           | e. from London                  |
| 6. the first black cover              | f. her shopping in London       |
| 7. She has been linked                | g. girl for 'Vogue' magazine    |
| 8. Campbell has been involved         | h. Jamaican-Chinese grandmother |
| 9. a less impressive                  | i. in charity work              |
| 10. physically and verbally           | j. side to her character        |

**LISTENING GAP FILL:**

Naomi Campbell \_\_\_\_\_ beautiful supermodels of the 1990s. Born in 1970, \_\_\_\_\_ London, England. Her mother was a Jamaican dancer. Her father left when she was just two months old. She \_\_\_\_\_ from her Jamaican-Chinese grandmother. Naomi said: "My features \_\_\_\_\_, and I'm proud of them."

Success \_\_\_\_\_ young Naomi. Her first job was at the age of seven in a Bob Marley video. At 15, a modelling agency spotted her shopping in London and \_\_\_\_\_ on the front cover of 'Elle' magazine. \_\_\_\_\_. She has appeared on the cover of fashion magazines over 500 times.

Campbell \_\_\_\_\_ celebrity. She was the first black cover girl for 'Vogue' magazine and appeared nude for Playboy. She \_\_\_\_\_ romantically to Mike Tyson and Robert de Niro. She \_\_\_\_\_ album which sold over a million copies and was number one in Japan. Her ambitions have \_\_\_\_\_ own fashion and perfume brands.

Since 1997, Campbell \_\_\_\_\_ charity work. She says one of \_\_\_\_\_ working with Nelson Mandela, helping children in Sub-Saharan Africa. In 2005, she helped create the event *Fashion Relief*, \_\_\_\_\_ Hurricane Katrina victims. Campbell also has a less impressive side to her character. She has a history of arrests for physically and \_\_\_\_\_.

## CHOOSE THE CORRECT WORD:

Delete the wrong word in each of the pairs of italics.

Naomi Campbell was one *of / for* the most beautiful supermodels of the 1990s. Born in 1970, she *rains / hails* from London, England. Her mother was a Jamaican dancer. Her father left when she was just two months old. She gets her *exotically / exotic* looks from her Jamaican-Chinese grandmother. Naomi said: "My features are completely ethnic, and I'm *proud / pride* of them."

Success came early for the young Naomi. Her first job was at the *old / age* of seven in a Bob Marley video. *At / In* 15, a modelling agency spotted her shopping in London and *within / without* a year she was on the front cover of 'Elle' magazine. The rest is history. She has *appeared / appearing* on the cover of fashion magazines over 500 times.

Campbell has led the *life / live* of a celebrity. She was the first black cover girl for 'Vogue' magazine and appeared nude *for / by* Playboy. She has been linked romantically to Mike Tyson and Robert de Niro. She released a music album which *sold / sales* over a million copies and was number one in Japan. Her ambitions have also resulted in her *owned / own* fashion and perfume brands.

Since 1997, Campbell has been involved in charity work. She says one of her greatest *joys / joy* was working with Nelson Mandela, helping children in Sub-Saharan Africa. In 2005, she helped *crate / create* the event *Fashion Relief*, which raised millions for Hurricane Katrina victims. Campbell also has a *loss / less* impressive side to her character. She has a history of *arrested / arrests* for physically and verbally abusing others.

## SPELLING:

These jumbled words are from the text. Spell them correctly.

### *Paragraph 1*

1. one of the most bealftiuu supermodels
2. she iahsl from London
3. her xotcie looks
4. My features are completely hientc

### *Paragraph 2*

5. cSeucss came early for the young Naomi
6. a modelling agency tsodpte her shopping in London
7. The rest is rtsihyo
8. She has peadepra on the cover of fashion magazines

### *Paragraph 3*

9. Campbell has led the life of a tblricyee
10. She has been lkdine romantically to Mike Tyson
11. She eeelsadr a music album
12. her own shinaof and perfume brands

### *Paragraph 4*

13. Campbell has been venivlod in charity work
14. one of her grtaeste joys
15. eaidsr millions for Hurricane Katrina victims
16. She has a history of sesrart

## PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

Number these lines in the correct order.

- ( ) Campbell has led the life of a celebrity. She was the first black cover
- ( ) her exotic looks from her Jamaican-Chinese grandmother. Naomi said: "My features
- ( ) cover of 'Elle' magazine. The rest is history. She has appeared on the cover of fashion magazines over 500 times.
- ( ) event Fashion Relief, which raised millions for Hurricane Katrina victims. Campbell also has a less impressive
- ( ) girl for 'Vogue' magazine and appeared nude for Playboy. She has been linked romantically to
- ( ) side to her character. She has a history of arrests for physically and verbally abusing others.
- ( ) have also resulted in her own fashion and perfume brands.
- ( ) Success came early for the young Naomi. Her first job was at the age of seven
- ( **1** ) Naomi Campbell was one of the most beautiful supermodels of the 1990s. Born in 1970, she hails
- ( ) from London, England. Her mother was a Jamaican dancer. Her father left when she was just two months old. She gets
- ( ) Since 1997, Campbell has been involved in charity work. She says one of her greatest joys was
- ( ) in a Bob Marley video. At 15, a modelling agency spotted her shopping in London and within a year she was on the front
- ( ) Mike Tyson and Robert de Niro. She released a music album which sold over a million copies and was number one Japan. Her ambitions
- ( ) working with Nelson Mandela, helping children in Sub-Saharan Africa. In 2005, she helped create the
- ( ) are completely ethnic, and I'm proud of them."

## SCRAMBLED SENTENCES

With your partner, put the words back into the correct order.

1. one supermodels beautiful most the of

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2. two Her when just old left was months father she

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3. features ethnic are My completely

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4. Success early the Naomi came for young

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5. was front she the of magazine on cover 'Elle'

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6. the led has Campbell celebrity a of life

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7. She has been linked romantically to Mike Tyson

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8. in work has involved charity Campbell been

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9. a impressive to character less side her

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10. has She arrests of history a

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**DISCUSSION (Write your questions):**

**STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)**

1. What do you know about Naomi Campbell?
2. Would you like to meet Naomi Campbell?
3. What would you like to know about Naomi Campbell and why?
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_
7. \_\_\_\_\_
8. \_\_\_\_\_

**DISCUSSION (Write your questions):**

**STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)**

1. What did you learn from this text about Naomi Campbell?
2. What questions would you like to ask Naomi Campbell?
3. What would her answers be to those questions?
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_
7. \_\_\_\_\_
8. \_\_\_\_\_

# THE NAOMI CAMPBELL SURVEY:

Write five questions about Naomi Campbell in the table. Do this in pairs/groups. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper.

Without your partner, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

**Return to your original partner(s) and share and talk about what you found out. Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.**



## HOMEWORK

**1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION:** Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

**2. INTERNET:** Search the Internet and find more information about Naomi Campbell. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

**3. NAOMI CAMPBELL POSTER:** Make a poster showing the different stages of the life of Naomi Campbell. Show your poster to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all find out similar things?

**4. MAGAZINE ARTICLE:** Write a magazine article about Naomi Campbell. Include an imaginary interview with her. Write about what she does every day and what she thinks about.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

**5. LETTER:** Write a letter to Naomi Campbell. Ask her three questions about her life. Give her three suggestions on what she should do in her future. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your "Naomi Campbell expert" partner(s) will try and answer your questions.

# ANSWERS

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## ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Look at the text on page 2.