

# PARIS HILTON

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## THE READING / TAPESCRIPT

Paris Whitney Hilton has packed in many different careers in her short life. She has been, or is, a model, actress, writer, singer, and businesswoman. She is also a celebrity socialite and daughter of the Hilton Hotel family. Hilton has also spent time in prison for driving violations. Reports are she will appear in the book of Guinness World Records as the world's "Most Overrated Celebrity".

Hilton was born with a silver spoon in her mouth in New York City in 1981. She grew up moving between exclusive homes in the States and France. She attended elite schools but wasn't so strong academically. She was expelled from one school for violating its rules. She did not go to university but decided to be famous instead.

When she was 19, Paris signed with a leading modelling agency. She was immediately very successful. She appeared in numerous high-profile advertising campaigns for some of the world's top brands. She also developed a reputation for being New York's top "party girl". She used her fame to launch her own perfumes, which are all best sellers.

Hilton branched out into acting and has appeared in several movies and TV shows. Her biggest role was as a co-star in the reality series 'The Simple Life'. In 2004, she founded Heiress Records and released her debut album, which sold poorly. Hilton has also written two best-selling books. Her plans are to continue promoting herself to become even more famous.

242 words

Flesch Kinkaid 7.9

**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*

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|---------------|--------------------------|
| 1. packed     | a. thrown out            |
| 2. violations | b. thought too highly of |
| 3. overrated  | c. offences              |
| 4. exclusive  | d. breaking              |
| 5. expelled   | e. crammed               |
| 6. violating  | f. upmarket              |

*Paragraphs 3 and 4*

- |                  |                |
|------------------|----------------|
| 7. leading       | g. image       |
| 8. numerous      | h. badly       |
| 9. reputation    | i. many        |
| 10. branched out | j. advertising |
| 11. poorly       | k. top         |
| 12. promoting    | l. diversified |

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

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|--|----------------------------|
| 1. packed in many different careers      | a. overrated celebrity     |
| 2. spent time in prison                  | b. for violating its rules |
| 3. the world's most                      | c. in her short life       |
| 4. Hilton was born with a silver         | d. advertising campaigns   |
| 5. She was expelled from one school      | e. modelling agency        |
| 6. Paris signed with a leading           | f. spoon in her mouth      |
| 7. She appeared in numerous high-profile | g. promoting herself       |
| 8. developed a                           | h. for driving violations  |
| 9. Hilton branched                       | i. reputation              |
| 10. Her plans are to continue            | j. out into acting         |

**LISTENING GAP FILL:**

Paris Whitney Hilton \_\_\_\_\_ different careers in her short life. She has been, or is, a model, actress, writer, singer, and businesswoman. She is also a celebrity socialite \_\_\_\_\_ Hilton Hotel family. Hilton has also spent time in prison \_\_\_\_\_. Reports are she will appear in the book of Guinness World Records as the world's "Most \_\_\_\_\_".

Hilton was born with a \_\_\_\_\_ mouth in New York City in 1981. She grew up moving between \_\_\_\_\_ the States and France. She attended elite schools but wasn't so \_\_\_\_\_. She was expelled from one school for \_\_\_\_\_. She did not go to university but decided to be famous instead.

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## CHOOSE THE CORRECT WORD:

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

Paris Whitney Hilton has packed *out / in* many different careers in her short *live / life*. She has been, or is, a model, actress, writer, singer, and businesswoman. She is also a celebrity socialite and daughter of the Hilton Hotel family. Hilton has also spent time in prison *with / for* driving violations. Reports are she will *appear / appearance* in the book of Guinness World Records as the world's "Most Overrated Celebrity".

Hilton was born with a silver spoon *in / on* her mouth in New York City in 1981. She *grew / grown* up moving between exclusive homes in the States and France. She attended elite schools but wasn't so *strength / strong* academically. She was expelled from one school for violating its rules. She did not go to university but decided to be *fame / famous* instead.

When she was 19, Paris signed with a *leading / leader* modelling agency. She was *immediate / immediately* very successful. She appeared in *numerous / numbers* high-profile advertising campaigns for some of the world's top brands. She also developed a reputation *for / with* being New York's top "party girl". She used her fame to launch her own perfumes, which are all best sellers.

Hilton branched *out / in* into acting and has appeared *at / in* several movies and TV shows. Her biggest role was as a co-star in the *really / reality* series 'The Simple Life'. In 2004, she founded Heiress Records and released her debut album, which sold poorly. Hilton has also written two best-selling books. Her plans are to continue *prompting / promoting* herself to become even more famous.

**SPELLING:**

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

*Paragraph 1*

1. Hilton has packed in many different eracers
2. She is also a yeelcrbit
3. spent time in nopisr
4. inridvg violations

*Paragraph 2*

5. born with a silver spoon in her homtu
6. She attended eteil schools
7. wasn't so rngots academically
8. decided to be famous ieastdn

*Paragraph 3*

9. Paris sgndei with a leading modelling agency
10. She appeared in uneoursm high-profile advertising campaigns
11. oveeeddp a reputation for being New York's top "party girl"
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*Paragraph 4*

13. Hilton banerhcd out into acting
14. the ayreilt series 'The Simple Life'
15. sold rooypl
16. Her plans are to continue rpgmoinot herself

## PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

Number these lines in the correct order.

- ( ) debut album, which sold poorly. Hilton has also written two best-selling books. Her plans are to
- ( ) successful. She appeared in numerous high-profile advertising campaigns for some of the world's top
- ( ) school for violating its rules. She did not go to university but decided to be famous instead.
- ( ) brands. She also developed a reputation for being New York's top "party girl". She used her
- ( ) When she was 19, Paris signed with a leading modelling agency. She was immediately very
- ( ) Hilton branched out into acting and has appeared in several movies and TV shows. Her biggest role was as
- ( ) writer, singer, and businesswoman. She is also a celebrity socialite and daughter of the Hilton Hotel
- ( **1** ) Paris Whitney Hilton has packed in many different careers in her short life. She has been, or is, a model, actress,
- ( ) homes in the States and France. She attended elite schools but wasn't so strong academically. She was expelled from one
- ( ) fame to launch her own perfumes, which are all best sellers.
- ( ) family. Hilton has also spent time in prison for driving violations. Reports are she will appear in the
- ( ) Hilton was born with a silver spoon in her mouth in New York City in 1981. She grew up moving between exclusive
- ( ) continue promoting herself to become even more famous.
- ( ) book of Guinness World Records as the world's "Most Overrated Celebrity".
- ( ) a co-star in the reality series 'The Simple Life'. In 2004, she founded Heiress Records and released her

## SCRAMBLED SENTENCES

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

1. family Hotel Hilton the of daughter

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2. time prison has spent in Hilton also

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3. in Hilton with spoon mouth born silver her was a

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4. one from expelled was She school

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5. famous She did not go to university but decided to be

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6. signed a modelling Paris with leading agency

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7. girl a reputation for being New York's top party

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8. to She launch used her her own fame perfumes

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9. In , founded Records 2004 she Heiress

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10. promoting Her are continue herself plans to

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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 Paris Hilton?
2. Would you like to meet Paris Hilton?
3. What would you like to know about Paris Hilton 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 Paris Hilton?
2. What questions would you like to ask Paris Hilton?
3. What would her answers be to those questions?
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_
7. \_\_\_\_\_
8. \_\_\_\_\_

## THE PARIS HILTON SURVEY:

Write five questions about Paris Hilton 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 Paris Hilton. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

**3. PARIS HILTON POSTER:** Make a poster showing the different stages of the life of Paris Hilton. 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 Paris Hilton. 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 Paris Hilton. 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 "Paris Hilton expert" partner(s) will try and answer your questions.

# ANSWERS

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## ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Look at the text on page 2.