

# Lesson 38

## She really hit the big time.

**Target:** Having a conversation about celebrities.

### Vocabulary

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### Celebrities



### Related vocabulary

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| - a <b>philanthropist</b>        | - to be <b>suave</b>                                  | - to <b>have a melt down</b>    |
| - to <b>donate</b> ~             | - to be <b>in the public eye</b>                      | - to be a <b>one hit wonder</b> |
| - to <b>play</b> ~ (a character) | - to be <b>overrated</b>                              | - to be <b>washed up</b>        |
| - to <b>endorse</b> ...          | - to be <b>wealthy / loaded / set for life</b>        | - to be <b>stuck up</b>         |
| - to <b>break into</b> ...       | - to <b>impersonate</b> ... / an <b>impersonation</b> | - a <b>has been</b>             |
| - to <b>hit the big time</b>     | - an <b>autograph</b>                                 | - a <b>hack</b>                 |
| - a <b>big break</b>             | - the <b>paparazzi</b>                                | - to <b>check into rehab</b>    |

### Conversation

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**1** Use the questions below to have a conversation with your partner about the topic

#### Partner #1: Questions

1. Have you ever met a celebrity? If no, which celebrities would you like to meet and why?
2. What famous celebrities are washed up now? What one hit wonders can you remember?
3. Who is the biggest superstar in your country at the moment?
4. How did some of your favorite actors and actresses get their big breaks?
5. What celebrities endorse what products? If you were a celebrity what items would you like to endorse?
6. Who do you think is the most overrated, most talented, most stuck up celebrity?
7. What are the different levels of celebrity? If so, how would you rank different celebrities?
8. What different impersonations can you do?
9. Is being typecast a good thing or a bad thing? Why?
10. What are the upsides and downsides to being a celebrity?

#### Partner #2: Questions

1. Do you think it's easy to break into the entertainment industry?
2. How many has beens can you name?
3. What are some famous celebrity meltdowns you can remember?
4. Out of all the characters who have played Batman, who do you think played him the best?
5. What different celebrities have had to check into rehab?
6. Is there any celebrity who you think is a hack?
7. Who is a famous philanthropist? If you were rich would you donate money?
8. Who do you think is the suavest, goofiest, trashiest, wealthiest celebrity?
9. What are different celebrities famous for?
10. How would you react to paparazzi if you were famous? Would you sign a lot of autographs?

**2** Complete one or more of the situations below

- 1. Role play:** Partner #1: Describe a famous celebrity without saying their name.  
Partner #2: Guess who your partner is describing.
- 2. Interview:** Interview a celebrity about their life in the spotlight.
- 3. Speech:** Describe your favorite celebrity.
- 4. Debate:** You think being a celebrity would be cool, but your partner doesn't agree.