

# Kate Moss best dressed and undressed (Sat 12 Feb)

## WARM UPS

**CHAT:** Talk in pairs or groups about Kate Moss / supermodels / being well-dressed / fashion / nude paintings / 2002 / good days...

To make things more dynamic, try telling your students they only have one minute (or 2) on each chat topic before changing topics / partners. Change topic / partner frequently to energize the class.

**SUPERMODEL BRAINSTORM:** Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word 'supermodel'. Share your words with your partner / group and talk about them.

**MY WARDROBE:** Talk to your partner / group about your wardrobe, or fashion tastes. How has your style changed over the years? Are you well-dressed? Do you care? Would you like nicer clothes?

**BEING A SUPERMODEL:** Talk to your partner / group about being a supermodel. Together, write down five advantages and five disadvantages of being one. Change partners / groups and share your advantages and disadvantages. Change a third or fourth time. Return to your original partner / group and explain what you heard from other students.

**BEST-DRESSED STUDENT:** Take a class poll on who is the best-dressed student in the class. First: In pairs, decide on three things to vote for (colour coordination / originality etc). Your teacher will write each voting category on the board. The class chooses the best five. In groups, talk and decide which student is the winner (10 pts) and second (5 pts) in each category. Teacher collects all the votes and finds the winner.

## PRE READING EXERCISES

**WORD SEARCH:** Look in your dictionaries, or a search engine, to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... of the words 'naked' and 'painting'.

**TRUE / FALSE:** Predict from the headline whether these statements are true or false:

- a. British supermodel Kate Moss is in the news for two reasons. T / F
- b. She has been named the world's best-dressed woman. T / F
- c. She has been voted as having the world's best naked body. T / F
- d. A naked painting of her has just been auctioned for \$7 million. T / F
- e. It is the second year in a row she has picked up the best-dressed award. T / F
- f. Worst dressed woman was Britney Spears. T / F
- g. Kate Moss posed nude for a painting in 2002, while she was pregnant. T / F
- h. It has been a bad few days for Kate Moss. T / F

**SYNONYM MATCH:** Match the following synonyms from the article:

- |     |              |                |
|-----|--------------|----------------|
| (a) | news         | sense          |
| (b) | named        | full length    |
| (c) | best-dressed | clothes        |
| (d) | naked        | competitors    |
| (e) | wardrobe     | voted          |
| (f) | taste        | limelight      |
| (g) | rivals       | nude           |
| (h) | second       | expecting      |
| (i) | life-sized   | runner-up      |
| (j) | pregnant     | most glamorous |

**PHRASE MATCH:** Match the following phrases based on the article

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|-----|----------------------------------|---|
| (a) | in the                           | taste                                     |
| (b) | two very different               | reasons                                   |
| (c) | she has been named               | off some well-dressed and gorgeous rivals |
| (d) | a naked painting of her has just | house                                     |
| (e) | fashion                          | the world's best-dressed woman            |
| (f) | it is the second                 | news                                      |
| (g) | Kate beat                        | year running                              |
| (h) | auction                          | portrait                                  |
| (i) | life-sized                       | days                                      |
| (j) | Not a bad few                    | been auctioned for \$7 million            |

## **HOMEWORK**

**LETTER TO KATE:** Write a letter to Kate Moss asking her for all her secrets on how to be well-dressed.

**FIRST DAY ON THE JOB:** Write your diary / journal entry for your first day of your new job of being a supermodel.

## GAP FILL

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## INTERNET / WEB LINKS:

A Kate Moss page on a men's magazine:

[http://www.askmen.com/women/models/44\\_kate\\_moss.html](http://www.askmen.com/women/models/44_kate_moss.html)

The Kate Moss picture heaven:

<http://katemoss.d2g.com/>

Glamour magazine:

<http://www.glamourmagazine.co.uk/>

About the German-born British painter Lucian Freud:

[http://www.artcyclopedia.com/artists/freud\\_lucian.html](http://www.artcyclopedia.com/artists/freud_lucian.html)

## DISCUSSION:

- a. Do you follow fashion?
- b. Do you like to know who has been voted the world's best-dressed woman or man?
- c. Do you read fashion magazines?
- d. Are clothes important to you?
- e. How do you choose which clothes to buy?
- f. What clothes would you like to buy now if you had a lot of money?
- g. What do you think of supermodels?
- h. Would you like to be a supermodel?
- i. Who is the best-dressed student in the class?
- j. Who is the most gorgeous woman / guy in the world?
- k. Would you ever pose naked for a painting?
- l. How about if the artist was a famous British painter?
- m. Have you had a good, bad or average few days? What has made them good / bad / average?

## FULL TEXT

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