

**Film UK: Kate Winslet on strong women – exercises**

Beattie interviews Kate Winslet about strong women, technology in film-making and what it was like to make the *Steve Jobs* movie.

Do the preparation task first. Then watch the short film and do the exercises to check your understanding.

**Preparation**

Match the vocabulary with the correct definition and write a–j next to the numbers 1–10.

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| 1.....  | the dialogue               | a. | to spend time with somebody                        |
| 2.....  | the set                    | b. | to have a great time                               |
| 3.....  | cool                       | c. | the words which actors speak in a film             |
| 4.....  | to compromise              | d. | a practice for a film or a play                    |
| 5.....  | to have an absolute blast  | e. | the artificial place created for a film            |
| 6.....  | to draw somebody to a role | f. | to do something badly                              |
| 7.....  | to mess something up       | g. | good, fashionable, interesting or attractive       |
| 8.....  | clunky                     | h. | to attract an actor to playing a character         |
| 9.....  | to hang out with somebody  | i. | not modern or graceful                             |
| 10..... | a rehearsal                | j. | to agree to be flexible about something you wanted |

**1. Check your understanding: reordering**

Write a number (1–8) to put these events in the video in order.

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| ..... | Kate Winslet says that the actors didn't make many mistakes when they started filming.                    |
| ..... | Beattie says that she admired that Kate played a strong female character in the film.                     |
| ..... | Kate Winslet talks about how hard the actors had to concentrate to remember all the dialogue in the film. |
| ..... | Kate congratulates Beattie on one of the questions she asks.  |
| ..... | Kate talks about the digital effects in the film she made.  |
| ..... | Beattie says that she thinks Kate Winslet liked her.  |
| ..... | Kate talks about Steve Jobs' relationship with Joanna Hoffman.  |
| ..... | Beattie asks us how we think she did on her first interview.  |

## 2. Check your understanding: multiple choice

Circle the correct option to these sentences.

1. The film *Steve Jobs* ...
  - a. is not based on a real-life character.
  - b. is about a man who designed various new products.
  - c. is a film that Beattie didn't like very much.
2. Kate Winslet says that the actor Michael Fassbender ...
  - a. has appeared in the play *Hamlet* twice.
  - b. wrote some of the words in the film.
  - c. had a difficult challenge learning so many words.
3. The actors learned the dialogue by ...
  - a. performing in a theatre first.
  - b. filming it many times.
  - c. practising a lot before they filmed.
4. Kate Winslet was attracted to the role she played because ...
  - a. she liked the relationship between the man and the woman in the film.
  - b. she played a woman who needed to be loved.
  - c. she likes to play roles where the woman is cool.
5. Joanna Hoffman ...
  - a. liked to write poems for Steve Jobs.
  - b. got tired of Steve Jobs' behaviour.
  - c. worked so hard for Steve Jobs it made her ill.
6. Kate Winslet says that technology and digital effects ...
  - a. were completely absent from the first film she made.
  - b. were better in the film *Titanic* than they are nowadays.
  - c. are very important in the making of films.
7. Kate says she won't compromise on ...
  - a. the roles she accepts.
  - b. the way she performs a scene.
  - c. the directors she works with.
8. Kate says Beattie's first interview was ...
  - a. brilliant.
  - b. very professional.
  - c. fun.