
Based on News about Britain:

http://www.bbc.co.uk/worldservice/learningenglish/newsenglish/britain/080916_duchess.shtml

1. Keira Knightley and Princess Diana share a distant ancestor.

- a) true
- b) false
- c) neither true nor false
- d) answer not given

2. The film is set in the 1700s.

- a) true
- b) false
- c) neither true nor false
- d) answer not given

3. In the film Keira Knightley plays the mistress of an aristocrat.

- a) true
- b) false
- c) neither true nor false
- d) answer not given

4. Keira Knightley was 23 when Princess Diana died.

- a) true
- b) false
- c) neither true nor false
- d) answer not given

5. In the 18th Century divorce was seen as an acceptable action by most people.

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- b) false
- c) neither true nor false
- d) answer not given

6. Thinking about parts of speech, which of these is the odd one out and why?

- a) aristocratic
- b) candid
- c) clandestine
- d) painstakingly

ANSWERS:

1. Keira Knightley and Princess Diana share a distant ancestor.

d) answer not given - this is correct. Keira's heroine WAS 'the great-great-great-great aunt of Diana, Princess of Wales' but there is nothing in the text to either confirm or contradict the statement in the question.

2. The film is set in the 1700s.

a) true - this is the right answer. The Duchess is 'a historical drama set in the 18th Century'.

3. In the film Keira Knightley plays the mistress of an aristocrat.

b) false - this is the correct answer. 'In the film Knightley plays an aristocratic woman who is trapped in a marriage to a man who is in love with his mistress'.

4. Keira Knightley was 23 when Princess Diana died.

b) false - this is the right answer. She says, 'I was 11 when Diana died'.

5. In the 18th Century divorce was seen as an acceptable action by most people.

b) false - good choice, this is correct. The film describes relationships 'in a society where divorce was taboo'.

6. Thinking about parts of speech, which of these is the odd one out and why?

d) painstakingly - correct. This is an adverb, the rest are adjectives.

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