



Singer-songwriter Ed Sheeran worked hard to get to the top. As a teenager, he played hundreds of shows a year for little or no money, and even spent time sleeping rough in London to pursue his dream.

His big break came in 2010 after he bought a one-way plane ticket to Los Angeles. While there, he met R&B star Jamie Foxx, who offered the British youngster time in his studio.

Today, Sheeran is one of the world's most successful musicians. His second album, *X*, has sold over six million copies, while his songs have been listened to over two billion times on leading music streaming site Spotify.

### ★★ FACT FILE: ★★

## ED SHEERAN

**Date of birth:** 17 February 1991

**Famous songs:** 'Give Me Love'  
'Thinking Out Loud'  
'Don't'

**Fun fact:** Has written songs with, and for, One Direction and Taylor Swift.

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## ★ PAPER TOWNS ★



Actors Cara Delevigne and Nat Wolff in the film of Paper Towns.

It can take years for a book to be turned into a film. The mystery novel *Paper Towns*, a story about a teenager's quest to find his missing friend, hit bookstores in 2008. The film version opened in cinemas seven years later.

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## ★ THE FAULT IN OUR STARS ★

Although John Green wrote the book, he didn't write the film version. Instead, a team of specialist 'screenwriters' adapted his story for the big screen.

*Paper Towns* wasn't the first novel by John Green to make it to the big screen. His 2012 story about two teenagers with cancer, *The Fault in Our Stars*, was turned into a movie in 2014.

The book is one of the best selling novels for young adults of all time. The movie was even more successful, racking up a whopping £196 million in ticket sales.

### ★★ FACT! ★★

The books of English writer Charles Dickens have proved hugely popular with filmmakers. According to the Internet Movie Database, his novels have inspired over 340 films and TV shows!

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## ★ CARA DELEVINGNE ★



▲ Cara Delevingne has twice been named Model of the Year at the British Fashion Awards.

### ★ Claim to fame

British supermodel, Cara Delevingne was signed to a top-modelling agency after leaving school. Since then, she has gone on to front campaigns for brands such as Chanel and Burberry. However, with an increasing number of films to her name, it looks like Cara may soon become just as well known for her acting as her modelling.

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## Get the look! Cara's smoky eyes



- 1 Apply eye primer to the eye area with your finger.
- 2 With a flat brush, apply three shades of eyeshadow:
  - ★ a light colour in the inner corner of the eye,
  - ★ a mid-brown on the middle of the eyelid and the lower lash line,
  - ★ a dark brown on the outside corner of the eye by the lash line.
- 3 Blend all the colours with a clean, fluffy make-up brush.
- 4 Finish with lashings of eyeliner and mascara.

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GET THE  
LOOK!



Alison Hawes

FAMOUS ★ FACES

Sample pages taken from Famous Faces: Get the Look!

## ★ COOL AND CASUAL! ★

If denim is more your style, then £161,220 would buy you some ripped, washed-out jeans – studded with diamonds and rubies.

Why not carry your sandwiches in a flashy gold backpack? Made by the Billionaire Boys Club, a clothing line created by Pharrell Williams, they're priced at £1,064 each. Only four were made, so get your order in quick!

Perhaps you fancy owning one of Pharrell's hats? The hat that he wore at the 2014 Grammy Awards was later sold at auction for over £28,000.



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## ★ PAMPER YOURSELF ★



For many celebrities, especially those with a modelling contract, it's important to look good. This can mean investing your money in an expensive beauty regime.

It's said that Rihanna spends around £700,000 on her hair each year.

Beyoncé's wigs are said to be worth well over half a million pounds. She donates older ones that she no longer wears to a cancer charity.

Want perfect teeth like Cheryl Fernandez-Versini and Tulisa? Be prepared to spend about £12,000 for that sparkling smile.

Kim Kardashian West doesn't bat an eyelid at the £900 cost of her eyelashes. The television star has had mink fur attached to each eyelash, making her lashes appear extra-long.



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# ★ GLASTONBURY FESTIVAL ★

The biggest and best-known UK music festival is Glastonbury Festival. Year after year, thousands of music fans make their way to a farm in Somerset to catch their favourite acts.

The population of Glastonbury is usually around 8,000, but when the festival is in town the population jumps to over 200,000!

If you aren't lucky enough to get a ticket, you can always set up a tent in your front room and watch the best bits on the TV or online.



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Glastonbury attracts the biggest-selling acts from all around the world. Unfortunately it also attracts the rainy British weather. Wellington boots and a good site for your tent are very important!

Acts who have performed at Glastonbury include:

- ★ **Beyoncé**
- ★ **Daft Punk**
- ★ **Ed Sheeran**
- ★ **Florence and the Machine**

## ★★ PROFILE :

### Ed Sheeran

**Born:** 17 February 1991, West Yorkshire, England

**Talent:** Singer-songwriter

**Fact:** In 2009, Ed played more than 300 live shows in one year!



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## ★ TANYA BURR ★



Tanya started her beauty and fashion YouTube channel in 2009.

- ★ Tanya's YouTube channels, *Tanya Burr* and *Tanya's Vlogs*, have over 3.5 million subscribers.
- ★ Her debut book *Love, Tanya* was published in 2015.
- ★ *Tanya Burr Cosmetics* was launched in 2014.
- ★ She currently has around 1.5 million Twitter followers and 2 million followers on Instagram.

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## ★ CAMERON DALLAS ★

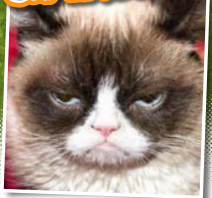


Cameron has made a name for himself on Vine and YouTube.

- ★ Cameron is the creator of the Vine channel *Cameron Dallas* and the YouTube channel *TheeCameronDallas*.
- ★ He currently has around 7.8 million Vine followers and 3.6 million YouTube subscribers.
- ★ On Twitter, Cameron has around 5.16 million followers and 7.1 million followers on Instagram.
- ★ He surprises fans in his 'Call Me Cam' feature by calling them up to say hello.

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**SOCIAL  
SUPERSTARS**



Beverly Sanford  
FAMOUS ★ FACES



Survival expert David Canterbury doesn't just live off the land, he uses the land to make his own tools. There's nothing he can't make with stones, branches and leaves.

He has made knives, spoons, bowls, plates and even a kettle.

## DAVID CANTERBURY'S FIVE Cs OF SURVIVABILITY

To survive in the desert Canterbury says you need ALL of the five Cs below:

★ **a cutting tool** – for chopping wood and hunting animals



★ **a combustion device** – something to light a fire such as flints or, to make things easier, matches!



★ **cover** – a tent, tarpaulin or self-made shelter



★ **a container** – anything to catch rainwater such as a flask or water bottle



★ **cordage** – a rope or similar tying device to help move between trees and over water



## Vocabulary

Do you know these words?

Look them up in a dictionary and then see how they are used in the book.

bantering	previews
catering	principal
fierce	sabotaged
harsh	understated



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## INTRODUCTION

Everybody loves talent shows. They've been part of the TV scene since 1956. And most families didn't even own a TV until the late 1950s or 60s!

Talent shows get some of the biggest audiences on TV. The top shows often get over eight million viewers. And shows like *Britain's Got Talent* (BGT), *The Great British Bake Off* and *Strictly Come Dancing* can get more than eleven million (that's like the whole population of Portugal!), especially for their finals shows.



Why do people enter talent shows? For the chance to become big stars, like One Direction! Here they are with Simon Cowell, their mentor on *The X Factor*, as they were back in 2010.

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