

## Angelina Jolie



Before you listen to this podcard, check the meaning of these words in your dictionary: **established, reviews, major break, subsequently, moving, adopted, efforts, to go steady, ancestry.**

### Activity 1

Are these statements true or false?

She was born in New York. \_\_\_\_\_

She won an Oscar for *George Wallace*. \_\_\_\_\_

She had her major break in 1999 in *The Bone Collector*. \_\_\_\_\_

In the same year she filmed *Girl, Interrupted*. \_\_\_\_\_

She has 13 tattoos. \_\_\_\_\_

She has adopted 4 children. \_\_\_\_\_

She has no biological children. \_\_\_\_\_

She is a member of UNHCR. \_\_\_\_\_

She has been married 3 times. \_\_\_\_\_

During her childhood, she dreamt of becoming a space traveller. \_\_\_\_\_

### Activity 2

Answer these questions:

What did her parents do? \_\_\_\_\_

When did her career start? \_\_\_\_\_

Which film did she win an Oscar for? \_\_\_\_\_

Who is her partner at the moment? \_\_\_\_\_

Where did she adopt her first child? \_\_\_\_\_

What does 'Brangelina' mean? \_\_\_\_\_

What's her favourite cartoon character? \_\_\_\_\_

What did she wear for her first wedding? \_\_\_\_\_

Where are the coordinates of her children's birthplaces tattooed? \_\_\_\_\_

## Activity 3

### Listen and complete the gaps:

Angelina Jolie was born in Los Angeles, on the 4<sup>th</sup> June 1975. \_\_\_\_\_ up there, she was no stranger to the film industry, being the \_\_\_\_\_ of two established actors, Jon Voight and Marcheline Bertrand. In the mid-1990s, Angelina \_\_\_\_\_ in various music videos and small films, where she got good reviews. However, her career \_\_\_\_\_ to improve after her performance as in the 1997 biopic *George Wallace*, for which she won her first Golden Globe \_\_\_\_\_. She had her major break in 1999 in *The Bone Collector*. In the same year she won the triple \_\_\_\_\_ - the Golden Globe, the SAG Award and the Academy Award for best \_\_\_\_\_ actress in a supporting role - with her performance in *Girl, Interrupted*.

During the filming of one \_\_\_\_\_ of the saga of Lara Croft, she had a moving \_\_\_\_\_ in Cambodia, subsequently adopting the first of her three adopted children. She became an international \_\_\_\_\_ and now she spends most of her time in \_\_\_\_\_ efforts financed by her acting.

Since 2005 she has been going steady with Brad Pitt, father of her \_\_\_\_\_ children. Their first daughter was born in 2006, and in July 2008 they had twins, a boy and a girl. Their story became one of the most reported celebrity relationships \_\_\_\_\_.

Now, here are some things you may or may not know about this most famous actress:

- She is Goodwill Ambassador for the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR).
- She has been married \_\_\_\_\_, both times to actors.
- When she first married she wore black leather pants and a white shirt. On the white shirt she painted her husband's name in her own \_\_\_\_\_!
- The name 'Brangelina', for her latest love story, comes from the \_\_\_\_\_ of the names Brad and Angelina.
- She loves tattoos. In fact, at the moment she has 13 of them. When starring a film, her \_\_\_\_\_ collection is usually covered with \_\_\_\_\_.
- She has a tattoo of the coordinates representing the locations where her children were born on her left arm.
- *Dumbo the flying elephant* is her \_\_\_\_\_ Disney character.
- "Jolie" means "pretty" in French.
- During her \_\_\_\_\_, she dreamt of becoming a funeral director.
- Her exotic good looks may \_\_\_\_\_ from her mixed ancestry, which is Czech, French-Canadian, Iroquois and English.

## Transcript

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Since 2005 she has been going steady with Brad Pitt, father of her biological children. Their first daughter was born in 2006, and in July 2008 they had twins, a boy and a girl. Their story became one of the most reported celebrity relationships worldwide.

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- She loves tattoos. In fact, at the moment she has 13 of them. When starring a film, her extensive collection is usually covered with makeup.
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