



## LESSON TWO

### OBJECTIVES:

- TO REVISIT INDUCTION
  - TO PRACTISE PHRASES AND COLLOCATIONS IN THE  
CONTEXT OF NAMES
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# Safeguarding



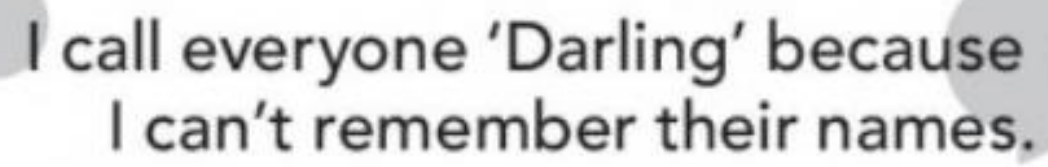
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I call everyone 'Darling' because  
I can't remember their names.  
*Zsa Zsa Gabor, American actress*



Marie Curie



Winona Ryder



Tolkien



Paul McCartney



J.K. Rowling



Miley Cyrus



Ed Sheeran



Lupita Nyong'o



1  **H** Her **full name** is Lupita Amondi Nyong'o. She was born in Mexico and her parents gave her a Spanish name which **is short for** Guadalupe.

2  He was an English writer, poet and university professor, and author of *The Lord of the Rings*. His full **initials** were J.R.R.T, but he was known as Ronald to his family.

3  Her **maiden name** was Sklodowska, but she was awarded the Nobel Prize under her **married name**.

4  Her name comes from her childhood **nickname** of 'Smiley'. She **changed her name** legally, from Destiny, in 2008.

5  After she became a famous novelist, she published detective stories under the **pseudonym** Robert Galbraith.

6  She is an award-winning actress who **is named after** a city near where she was born, in the state of Minnesota, USA.

7  His **first name** is James, after his father, but his family used his **middle name** to avoid confusion.

8  His first three albums are called + (*Plus*), x (*Multiply*), and ÷ (*Divide*). His name is Edward, but he's **called Ed for short**.



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Tell a partner about someone you know who...

- has a nickname.
- is named after a place.
- is named after a famous person.
- is called something for short.
- has a very old-fashioned name.
- has changed his / her name.

### 3 READING

- a With a partner, guess which countries or regions these names are from. Do you think they are first names or surnames?

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- b Read the article and check your answers to a. Are the first names from the list male or female?
- c Read the article again. In which country or countries...?
- 1 does the surname come before the first name
  - 2 do people have no surname
  - 3 do people have more than one surname
  - 4 do people have a middle name connected to their father's name
  - 5 do some people stop using the surname they were born with
  - 6 are people given names depending on when they were born

## DISCUSSION

What is the naming custom in your country? Has it changed over the years? Do you think it ought to change?



## 4 LISTENING & SPEAKING

- a  1.4 Listen to four people talking about their name.   
For each person, write their name and tick (✓) if they are happy with it.
- b Listen again and answer the questions for each person.   
1 Why did their parents choose that name for them?  
2 Do they have a nickname?  
3 Would they like to change their name?
- c Answer the questions in groups.



What's your first name?  
Why did your parents call you that?  
Do you have a middle name?  
Do you have a nickname, or are you called something for short?  
Do you use your initials or your full name when you sign your name?

Do you like your name? Why (not)? Would you like to change it? What to?  
Are there any names you don't like at all? Why do you dislike them?  
Do you think it's an advantage or a disadvantage to...?  
– have a very long name  
– have a very unusual name  
– be named after a celebrity

# HOMEWORK – TO BE DONE ON MOODLE

Complete the definitions with a word from the list.

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first name   full name   initials   maiden name  
married name   middle name

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- 1 your *first name* \_\_\_\_\_ is a name that your parents choose for you when you are born
- 2 a  is the name between a person's first name and surname
- 3 a woman's  is her surname before she gets married
- 4 a woman's  is her surname after she gets married
- 5 your  is your whole name, including your first name, any middle names, and your family name
- 6 your  are the first letters of all your names

# The story behind a name

**Agatha Christie** is the bestselling novelist of all time. She wrote 66 detective stories under her own name and six romances under the <sup>1</sup>pseudonym Mary Westmacott.

Agatha Christie's <sup>2</sup> [ ] name and surname are known worldwide, but few people know what the rest of the writer's <sup>3</sup> [ ], A.M.C.C., stand for. Agatha had two <sup>4</sup> [ ] names, Mary and Clarissa, so her <sup>5</sup> [ ] name was Agatha Mary Clarissa Christie. Christie was, in fact, her <sup>6</sup> [ ] name – in 1914 she married Archie Christie ('Archie' is <sup>7</sup> [ ] for Archibald). Agatha's <sup>8</sup> [ ] name was Miller. Agatha and Archie Christie divorced in 1928, and when Agatha got married a second time – to the archaeologist Max Mallowan – she did not <sup>9</sup> [ ] her name again.

As for Agatha Christie's family, she had a sister, Margaret Frary Miller, who was <sup>10</sup> [ ] 'Madge' for short. Madge was <sup>11</sup> [ ] after their grandmother's sister, Margaret West. Agatha also had a brother, Louis Montant Miller, whose <sup>12</sup> [ ] was 'Monty'.

