

23 Became world famous after starring with **Kate Winslet** in *Titanic*.

'I've been to the Amazon, and people with no clothes on know about that film.'

24 Founded the **Leonardo DiCaprio Foundation** in 1998, to support environmental causes.

26–31 Dated Brazilian model **Gisele Bündchen**, the second of seven model girlfriends so far.

26 Hosted **Earth Day** summit on global warming in 2000.

28 Starred in *Catch Me If You Can*, directed by **Steven Spielberg**.

29–33 Wrote and produced *The 11th Hour*, an environmental documentary.

'I believe mankind has looked at climate change as if it were a fiction.'

39 Donated **\$15 million** to **World Wildlife Fund**, part of a total of over **\$70 million** given to conservation projects.

40 Played the fur trapper **Hugh Glass** in *The Revenant*, for which he finally received his first Oscar for Best Actor in 2016.

'it was the most difficult film I've ever done'

41 Spoke at the **World Economic Forum** in Davos in 2016, receiving the Crystal Award for artists committed to improving the state of the world.

GRAMMAR SPOT

- Read some more facts about Leonardo. Name the three tenses. Why are they used?
 - DiCaprio **lives** in an eco-friendly apartment in New York.
 - He **lived** in Germany for a short time as a child.
 - He's **lived** in his New York apartment since 2008.
 - He's **lived** in LA, New York, and Malibu.
- Which sentence talks about an activity? Which is about quantity? Name the two tenses.

His foundation **has been giving** money to environmental causes since 1998.

It **has given** more than \$70m.
- These sentences sound unnatural in the active. Make them passive.
 - People have nominated him for six Oscars.
 - Someone has asked him to speak at two Climate Summits.

➔ Grammar reference 6.1–6.6 ➔ p147–8

Time expressions

- 5** Use the biography to complete these sentences about Leonardo with phrases from the box.

while he was filming <i>The Revenant</i>	
two years after he left school	
when he was 1	in 2002
for four years	since he was 5
between 2000 and 2005	until he was 41

- Leonardo's parents separated _____.
- He suffered a lot _____.
- His first starring role came _____.
- He was directed by Spielberg _____.
- He worked on *The 11th Hour* _____.
- He didn't win an Oscar _____.
- He's been working as an actor _____.
- He dated Gisele Bündchen _____.

Project

Work in groups of three. Each choose a different film from **1** and prepare to tell your partners what it's about. Do some research on your film if necessary.

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