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- **Title:** Actress

- **Job Description:**

An **actor** is a person who portrays a **character** in a performance (also **actress**; [see below](#)).<sup>[1]</sup> The actor performs "in the flesh" in the traditional medium of the **theatre** or in modern media such as **film**, **radio**, and **television**. The analogous Greek term is **ὑποκριτής** (*hupokritēs*), literally "one who answers".<sup>[2]</sup> The actor's interpretation of their role—the art of **acting**—pertains to the role played, whether based on a real person or fictional character.\*

\*Source: en.m.wikipedia.org

- **Why would I like to have this job?**

I'd like to be an actress because I LOVE to act. It's fun because I can get to be a different person. It's like being your own alter ego. I feel happy and powerful when I'm acting. The best thing about it is getting to tell a story in your own way, by acting the words you say (haha that rhymes!)

**What makes a good actress?**

To be a good actor/actress, you have to feel the part to be the part. And you have to be passionate about the role you are playing. Having chemistry and getting along with the other cast members is also a very important part of acting. A good actor/actress also needs to step out of his or her comfort zone, every once in a while so they can embrace themselves.

**Are you a good actress?**

I feel like I am. I feel like I have all of the right traits and abilities and the right personality.

**What about your personality makes you a good actress?**

My personality makes me a good actress because I'm quirky, bubbly, outgoing, and dramatic (in a good way). Without these traits, acting probably wouldn't be appealing to me because in order to be an actress, you have to amplify your actions and be bold!

**What do people say about your acting abilities?**

People say I can play roles because I observe others but know who I am. I feel this is true because I love studying the arts and the different styles of theatre — like Realism, Romanticism, Greek and so many more.

**Stepping Out of Comfort Zones**

I feel that public speaking is great for everyone, especially shy people. That may seem weird but it's a good exercise to make people feel more comfortable around others, and be outside of the box for a change. I won the first place ribbon for my class's 4-H speech contest. Even though I was in front of people I know, it was still a little weird. But it felt great! "How is this related to acting", you might ask. Well, speaking publicly is a big part of acting. When you get on stage and the light is on you, you know it's your time to shine. And how would you shine if you froze up on

the stage?  
comfort



That's also why a good actress needs to step out of her zone from time to time.



### **My**

Hamilton is  
has inspired

Manuel-Miranda, who also wrote "In The Heights". Hamilton is a big part of my life because I find it incredible that people can be so talented and share it with the world. It makes me want to do the same. These are the names of

### **Inspiration**

my favorite Broadway  
me in countless ways. It was

musical. It  
written by Lin

people in Hamilton who inspire me.

Lin Manuel-Miranda  
Anthony Ramos  
Phillipa Soo  
Renée Elise Goldsberry  
Daveed Diggs  
Leslie Odom, Jr.  
Jasmine Cephas Jones  
Okieriete Onaodowan  
Jonathan Groff  
Christopher Jackson



### **What I can do NOW to prepare for that career!**

I took drama the third quarter of this school year and I'm gonna continue to take drama in school. I can be in the school's Drama Club and do more things like being in the school's productions.

Also, I could enroll in professional acting courses or consider attending a school for the arts.

Recently, I signed up for a digital acting/modeling audition. When I signed up, I thought it was just acting. When the company called my mom for permission, they told her how I was to dress and emailed her a script for me to memorize. During the audition, I had to answer questions about myself. I had to do some modeling poses and a "runway" walk and perform the commercial script they'd provided. There were two other people auditioning — both older than me. At the end, they said they'd call back in an hour to let us know who earned the spot with their agency. They called me back in 10 minutes with the great news that they had selected me! The next day, my mother and father spoke with the owner and decided to wait to enroll me because it just didn't seem to be the best investment at the time. So, I'm not with an agency, but the owner said to

touch base when we are ready to make that investment. So, I'll keep believing



and working and having fun acting.

