

# The coolest job

They mix with the stars, they wear great clothes and they get paid for it all! But what do the actors really think about working on *The OC*? Is it really as cool as it sounds? And how did they get the job in the first place?

## On ... getting the part

**Chris Carmack** (Luke):

I didn't think I'd get the part because I'm nothing like Luke. But I knew lots of guys like Luke in high school.

**Adam Brody** (Seth):

I ad-libbed some of my lines. I wanted to give Seth Cohen a bit more personality. I think the producers liked what I did!

**Rachel Bilson** (Summer):

I was quite confident when I auditioned for *The OC* as I'd met girls like Summer. I was the first to read for the part and I got it! So that was cool.

**Samaire Armstrong** (Anna):

I couldn't believe it when I was asked to play Anna. But it feels right. We're very similar and we have the same taste in clothes!



## On ... the other actors

**Rachel Bilson** (Summer):

We're all good friends. Mischa, Samaire and I talk about make-up and guys and fashion and it helps with our relationships in the show.

**Melinda Clarke** (Julie):

I grew up in the real OC so I know that way of life! I love spending time with Kelly Rowan (Kirsten Cohen) and the girls.

**Peter Gallagher** (Sandy):

I really like the kids. I learn as much from them as they do from me.

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On ... being famous

**Ben McKenzie** (Ryan):

I'm proud of the show and its success. I love living in California, but I'm from Texas and I miss the life there. I don't think I've changed as a person. Success doesn't change who you are.



**Adam Brody** (Seth):

I have to put my head down if we're walking past a group of girls or they go crazy! That feels weird. Sometimes I like to pretend I'm still a guy who nobody knows.

**Mischa Barton** (Marissa):

I live with my mum in a small apartment in LA while I'm filming. My dad and sister, Hania, live in New York and I get homesick sometimes.

**Chris Carmack** (Luke):

It's amazing to be part of something that is so popular. My family love *The OC* too. They say they'd like it even if I wasn't in it!

Would you like to work on a show like *The OC*? Why / Why not?

What do these words mean? You can use a dictionary.

part   ad-lib   audition   relationship   homesick   weird