





Irish Actors

- 1. Before becoming an actor, Gabriel Byrne had various jobs including teacher, cook and archeologist. But what did he train to be as a youngster?
- 2. Before all his success as an actor, Colin Farrell hoped to become a music star, and auditioned to be a member of which famous Irish band?
- 3. Liam Neeson's career began as a youngster back home in County Antrim when he signed up to take part in a school play, but what has Neeson said was the reason he first started acting?
- 4. Before he got his big break, Pierce Brosnan spent three years performing in a circus in the UK. What was his act?
- 5. In 2004, Maureen O'Hara released her autobiography, but what was it called?
- 6. For which role did Brenda Fricker receive an Academy Award for Best Supporting Actress?
- 7. One of his last roles before his death in 2002 was as headmaster Dumbledore in the Harry Potter films. However, Richard Harris reportedly turned down the role initially, before what changed his mind?
- 8. What did Cillian Murphy originally plan to do before his teacher convinced him to carry on acting?
- 9. Peter O'Toole holds the unusual record of being nominated for an Academy Award the most about of times, without ever winning it. Do you know how many times was O'Toole nominated?
- 10. Saoirse Ronan's father Paul Ronan is also a famous face in Ireland, but what does he do?
 - 1. A Catholic Priest
 - 2. Boyzone
 - 3. He wanted to impress a girl who was also acting in the play
 - 4. Fire-eater
 - 5. 'Tis Yourself
 - 6. Mrs Brown in My Left Foot
 - 7. His 11-year-old granddaughter persuaded him to take the role, threatening to have nothing to do with him if he didn't.
 - 8. Rock Star
 - 9. Eight
 - 10. Also an Actor



