

What is Cate Blanchett?™

She has played Queen Elizabeth (twice), Princess Galadriel in The Lord of the Ring movies, and the Russian villain in Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull, among other parts. She has won over two dozen actor awards; Oscars, Golden Globes, Screen Actors Guilds, Critics Choice Awards...

Cate Blanchett, the real person may seem different to you than the parts she plays; the sign of a true actor. Here are some facts about her:

- She has four children, three boys and an adopted girl.
- She typically takes off at least 6 or 7 months after the birth of each child.
- She has been married to the same person since December 29, 1997.
- When asked about the talents of others who were also nominated for the actor awards she won, her usual response was they were better actors than she.
- She has a brother with a mild case of cerebral palsy who she would stand up for when other children would make fun of him.
- She dedicated her BAFTA Award (a British actors award) to Philip Seymour Hoffman who had recently passed away.
- Four of her six Oscar nominations are for portraying real people.
- After working on the Lord of the Rings as Galadriel, she bronzed and kept her elf ear prosthetics.
- Upon first meeting her husband, she thought he was arrogant. He reportedly thought her aloof.
- She makes lists of things to do and enjoys crossing things off as they are completed.
- She was ranked by Entertainment Weekly as one of the “50 Smartest People in Hollywood”



Quotes by Cate:

“I love doing things which I’d never envisaged before.”

“You know, when you see yourself on a big screen, I tend to watch from behind my hands.”

“I’m endlessly disappointed, which is what propels me into the next project.”

“It can be brutal when people are honest, but I much prefer to know if it’s not working, because you can do something with it.”

“No one is who they purport to be. And I suppose I’m most interested in the gap between who we project socially and who we really are.”

“I can be a real pessimist. You know that when you win an Oscar and you walk offstage and your first thought is “Oh God, I’ve peaked.”

So from the above; what do you think she is now? From the above description and data she is most definitely a very intense “S” and quite a bit of “C”. On our DISC Wheel, I would put her in the “Coordinator” segment closer to the “Supporter.” That would be spaces “20” or “36”. How close was your assessment to mine?

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