

Comprehension 7

Read the following article and answer the questions in complete sentences.

Johnny Depp, was born on June 9, 1963, is an American actor and musician. Depp rose to prominence on the 1980s television series 21 Jump Street, becoming a teen idol. He has been nominated for top awards many times, winning the Best Actor Awards from the Golden Globes for Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street and from the Screen Actors Guild for Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl.

Depp was born in Owensboro, Kentucky. He has one brother and two sisters. The Depp family in the United States began with a French Huguenot immigrant, Pierre Depp or Dieppe, who settled in Virginia around 1700, part of a refugee colony situated above the falls on the James River. The family moved frequently during Depp's childhood, and he and his siblings lived in more than 20 different locations. After Depp's parents divorced in 1978, he engaged in self-harm as a child, due to the stress of dealing with family problems. He has seven or eight self-inflicted scars.

With the gift of a guitar from his mother when he was 12, Depp began playing in various garage bands. A year after his parents' divorce, Depp dropped out of high school to become a rock musician. As he said on Inside the Actors Studio, he attempted to go back to school two weeks later, but the principal told him to follow his dream of being a musician. He played with The Kids but the group split up before signing a record deal. Depp subsequently collaborated with the band Rock City Angels and co-wrote their song "Mary".

On December 24, 1983, Depp married Lori Anne Allison, a makeup artist. His wife introduced him to actor Nicolas Cage, who advised Depp to pursue an acting career. They divorced in 1985. Depp later dated and was engaged to Sherilyn Fenn. Both Sherilyn Fenn and Depp auditioned for the 1986 film Thrashin' and they were both cast, with Depp being chosen by the film's director to star as the lead, which would have been Depp's first major role.

1. How many sibling does Johnny Depp have?

2. Which country did Johnny Depp's ancestors come from originally?

3. What causes the scars on his body?

4. What education level did he achieve?

5. Who brought him into the acting industry?

6. How long did Johnny Depp's first marriage last for?

