

Vocabulary

whether that be

Meaning: Used to give examples or options in a situation.

Examples:

1. You can exercise at home, **whether that be** yoga or lifting weights.
2. She loves helping people, **whether that be** through teaching or volunteering.

in order to

Meaning: To achieve or accomplish something.

Examples:

1. She works hard **in order to** support her family.
2. You need to practice daily **in order to** improve your skills.

professional production

Meaning: A theater, film, or TV project made at a high standard for a paying audience.

Examples:

1. She performed in her first **professional production** last year.
2. Working in a **professional production** helps actors build their careers.

credentials

Meaning: Proof of ability, experience, or qualifications.

Examples:

1. He showed his teaching **credentials** to apply for the job.
2. Productions with strong **credentials** attract more audiences.

supporting myself

Meaning: Earning enough money to pay for your own needs.

Examples:

1. She started a part-time job to begin **supporting herself**.
2. He dreams of **supporting himself** through his art.

Vocabulary Quiz

Complete the sentences with the vocabulary above.
whether • in order to • professional
credentials • supporting

1. I have acted in a few ___ productions.
2. I stay home ___ take care of my son.
3. You need teaching ___ to teach high school.
4. I have been ___ myself since I was 17.
5. I can help you, ___ that be with money or time.

Olivia / USA 

Do you have a timeframe for your goals?

Hi, I am Olivia. I'm from Washington, DC and right now I live in London. And my question is, do I have a timeframe for my future goals?

And the answer is yes. Part of the reason is because I live in London. My visa depends on me making certain career goals by a certain time. Otherwise, I'm unable to stay in this country. So, I'm an actor, and what that means is I have to perform in a certain amount of professional productions, **whether that be** through theater or film and TV in a certain amount of countries **in order to** get my next visa. And that for me expires in about a year and a half.

So I have a year and a half to do maybe one **professional production** here in the UK, maybe one professional production somewhere else. Hopefully somewhere that pays well, maybe someplace like Germany. And all of those productions have to have a certain number of **credentials** and reviews. So, yes, I have a year and a half to start **supporting myself** as an actor so that I can stay living and working in London, which is what I would really like to do.

Quiz

Answer the following questions about the interview.

1) What is she doing in London?

- a) **Working**
- b) Studying

2) What career interests her?

- a) **Acting**
- b) Directing

3) What other country does she mention?

- a) France
- b) **Germany**

What is the correct word? Listen to the audio to hear the answer!

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