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## Britney Spears is 'focusing on herself' after break-up

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Britney Spears is "focusing on herself" as she prepares to release her memoir.

The 41-year-old pop star - who recently split from Sam Asghari - is set to release her eagerly-awaited memoir, 'The Woman in Me', in October and she's also been working on new music over recent weeks.

A source told Us Weekly: "The songs will be about freeing herself from negativity and unhealthy people."

Britney began dating Sam in late 2016 and the blonde beauty is now entering a "new chapter" in her life, following their recent break-up.

The insider said: "This is a new chapter for Britney in more ways than one."

By contrast, a second source has expressed concern for Britney's welfare.

The insider explained: "Some people are of the opinion that Britney's on a dangerous downward spiral, and the stuff she's been [doing] hasn't done much to dampen that worry. The con-



Britney Spears

cern for Britney's welfare right now is off the charts."

Sam previously cited "irreconcilable differences" as the reason for their split.

However, Britney subsequently confessed that she was "a little shocked" by their break-up.

She said on Instagram: "As everyone knows, Hesam and I are no longer together ... six years is a long time to be with someone so, I'm a little shocked but ... I'm not here to explain why because it's honestly nobody's business. But, I couldn't take the pain any more, honest-

ly."

Britney also thanked her fans for their support.

She said: "In some sort of telepathic way, I have been receiving so many messages that melt my heart from friends and I thank you."

"I've been playing it strong for way too long and my Instagram may seem perfect but it's far from reality and I think we all know that. I would love to show my emotions and tears on how I really feel but for some reason I've always had to hide my weaknesses."

## Dua Lipa has 'personal and professional modes'

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Dua Lipa has learned to keep "certain aspects" of her life private.

The chart-topping pop star admits that the outside world sees an "exaggerated version" of her real-life self.

Dua, 28, told Vogue France: "In the beginning, I wanted to believe that I had to be the same person at home and on stage. Now, I've learned to keep certain aspects of myself for my inner circle."

"There's the Dua who is chill at home, then in the media, there's this exaggerated version of myself who is also called Dua, and who gives it her all on stage."

Asked which version she prefers, Dua replied: "A mix of both! Because this duality allows me to maintain a normal life."

"When I have a professional meeting, I switch to 'Dua Lipa Music Career' mode, but right after I can also meet my friends in 'Private Dua' mode, and put all the rest to the side. These two sides help me stay grounded."



Dua Lipa

## Taylor Swift announces film of massive 'Eras' tour

AFP | New York

Didn't score tickets for Taylor Swift's "Eras" tour?

Never fear -- the culturally defining juggernaut will hit movie theaters with a concert film released on October 13.

"The Eras Tour has been the most meaningful, electric experience of my life so far and I'm overjoyed to tell you that it'll be coming to the big screen soon," Swift said on social media Thursday.

"Eras attire, friendship bracelets, singing and dancing encouraged."

The giant AMC movie chain is vowing that each of its theaters across the United States will play the film at least four times

a day on Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays.

Tickets are on sale now.

The company said it had upgraded its website and ticketing services to "handle more than five times the largest influx of ticket-buying traffic the Company has ever experienced before."

"But AMC is also aware that no ticketing system in history seems to have been able to accommodate the soaring demand from Taylor Swift fans," the statement

added, warning that customers may experience delays and outages.

Earlier this year botched sales for Swift's wildly popular tour wreaked havoc, prompting a congressional hearing over Ticketmaster's purported anti-competitive practices.

And while "Eras" tickets reached thousands of dollars, fans will be able to nab movie viewings at \$19.99 for adults, \$13.13 for children and seniors, plus tax.



Taylor Swift

## Bradley Cooper and Irina Shayk 'remain friendly despite break-up'

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Bradley Cooper and Irina Shayk "are friendly and get along" with each other.

The 48-year-old actor and Irina, 37, have a six-year-old daughter together called Lea, and the former couple - who have recently been spotted in Italy - are de-



Bradley Cooper and Irina Shayk

termined to do whatever they can to make their daughter happy.

A source told PEOPLE: "The Italy trip with her daughter is fun for everyone. Lea wants them all to travel together. And Irina and Bradley are friendly and get along. They both want to make Lea happy."

Bradley and Irina were together from 2015 until 2019, and they've managed to maintain a healthy relationship since their break-up.

## Anne Hathaway taking inspiration from Gen Z as she embraces variety in fashion

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Anne Hathaway is inspired by Gen Z after learning to take more risks with her style.

The 40-year-old star has started to embrace more variety in her fashion, and a big part of that has been taking influence from Gen Z, the generation born between the late 1990s and early 2000s.

Speaking to Vogue magazine, she said: "I know this sounds like I'm super-pandering, but I'm really switched on by Gen Z."

"It's a fun generation when it comes to fashion."

"They really hit it just right where they have a great time with it, but they define themselves by themselves."

The 'Devil Wears Prada' actress is also embracing the idea of "having a lot of fun" with style, and she admitted she finally feels "ability to enjoy it" now.

She added: "I feel like designers are having a lot of fun. I feel like people are enjoying it."

"Maybe it was always the case, and maybe I was the only person in the corner watching everybody else have fun."

"But just the ability to enjoy it feels like it's more available to me now than it ever was

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ANNE HATHAWAY

before." It took a long time for Anne to realise she didn't have to stick to "one" style, whereas now "something clicked" and she is willing to be more of a chameleon.

She explained: "I thought that I could only have one. I felt really lost because I didn't know what that was until I realised I have so many styles."

"Once I realised that, then I felt like something clicked. But that's just me. It's different. Some people are like, 'Nope, black turtleneck every day.'"



Anne Hathaway

When it comes to putting her newfound confidence into practice, her stylist Erin Walsh has helped the 'Princess Diaries' star get out of her comfort zone.

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How to play

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

### CROSSWORD



Across

1- Think tank product; 5- South African river; 9- High hair style; 13- Like Loki; 15- Shoppe sign word; 16- TV horse; 17- Halts; 18- Monetary unit of China; 19- Kansas city; 20- Barcelona bear; 21- Streetcar; 23- Sort of; 25- Dutch name of The Hague; 26- Payroll frequency; 27- Member of the Girl Scouts; 30- One-million link; 31- Absurd; 32- Leans; 37- Film; 38- Not hesitant; 40- Type of tide; 41- Sword-shaped; 43- Prize money; 44- "... Believer" (Monkees hit); 45- Bewhiskered; 47- Reebok rival; 50- Fictional Jane; 51- Unit of force; 52- God of war; 53- Pretend; 56- Length times width; 57- Wight or Man; 59- Napoleon on Elba, e.g.; 61- Tablet; 62- In your dreams; 63- Symbol of Lebanon; 64- Slippery; 65- Tidy, without fault; 66- In stiches;

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Yesterday's solution

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