



## Welsh Comedian Rhod Gilbert Talks About His Shyness

Rhod Gilbert is a comedian, TV and radio presenter from Wales. He has won several UK comedy awards and now hosts a popular music quiz show on British television. He was born in Carmarthen, South Wales, and speaks with a Welsh accent.

The interview is from a radio broadcast on BBC Sounds in which he talks about his struggles with shyness. The interview is challenging both due to the accent and also due to the fact that it is more of a natural, free-flowing conversation with interruptions than in a classic interview.

Watch the video in the link below, and answer the questions with as much information as possible. The interview and exercise is very intense, so it will require many listens to answer all of the questions. Some vocabulary used is fairly colloquial, for which there are some definitions in the box below.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mK6FXascpxl>

### Colloquial Vocabulary to check before answering the questions:

**to brag** - to boast, to speak with too much pride about something you have or something you have achieved.

**a wind-up** - an attempt to play a trick on someone or to tease someone. This comes from the verb 'to wind someone up', meaning to tease someone or to make a joke at their expense.

**celeb** - A short version of the word 'celebrity'.

**to chat someone up** - to speak to someone in a flirtatious manner.

### Skip to 00:30

1. **(00:30-00:47)** When the interviewer first introduces Rhod Gilbert, what 2 things do we learn immediately about his shyness?
2. **(00:47-00:54)** According to Rhod Gilbert, what do you not do if you are shy?
3. **(00:54-00:59)** What did Rhod Gilbert find strange about the actions of the interviewer, and what is his new documentary called?
4. **(00:59-01:25)** What does Rhod Gilbert say about the term 'shyness'?
5. **(01:25-01:51)** What happened during one scene of Rhod Gilbert's documentary, and why was there confusion?
6. **(01:51-01:59)** What assumption does the interviewer make about Rhod's feelings after this particular scene?



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7. **(01:59-02:11)** What does Rhod Gilbert say in response to the interviewer's assumption?
8. **(02:11-02:29)** What does the interviewer say about Rhod Gilbert's friend, comedian Greg Davies?
9. **(02:31-02:52)** What are the exact words that Rhod Gilbert says during these 21 seconds.  
CLUE: He talks about 'celebs' (celebrities) and his relationship with his friend Greg Davies.
10. **(02:52-03:17)** What was Greg Davies' misconception about the shyness documentary when he agreed to participate in it?
11. **(03:17-03:48)** What have neither Rhod Gilbert nor Greg Davies done in their lives, and what quick comment does the interviewer make about this?
12. **(03:48-04:32)** How did Rhod Gilbert meet his future wife?