

Introverted

Introduction

We all know that things don't always necessarily go as planned. But sometimes, interviewing a *shy* person can definitely be a *real* challenge.

- 1 REPORTER: Thank you for granting us this interview, sir,
 2 and being on our TV show today. First off, let me
 3 congratulate you on your new movie, *I Was There*. It's
 4 getting great reviews.
- 5 RICHARD: Yes.
- 6 REPORTER: So, was this an exciting film to work on?
- 7 RICHARD: Oh, yes.
- 8 REPORTER: You had quite an interesting scene in the movie
 9 with Cheryl Laine. Would you like to tell us about it?
- 10 RICHARD: No.
- 11 REPORTER: Would you care to summarize the plot for our
 12 TV audience?
- 13 RICHARD: Not really.
- 14 REPORTER: You don't really like to talk much, do you? Well,
 15 they say a lot of extroverted actors are really very
 16 introverted people. Would that best describe you, sir?
 17 (*REPORTER waits for an answer, but RICHARD just shrugs*
 18 *his shoulders. REPORTER refers back to his notes for his next*
 19 *question.*) OK. (*A beat*) Did you know that most film
 20 critics hail you as a comic genius?
- 21 RICHARD: Yes, yes. I know that. Yes. That's true.
- 22 REPORTER: But I suspect you're not going to discuss your
 23 creative process with us here today, are you? (*There is*
 24 *only silence as RICHARD simply looks at REPORTER and*
 25 *smiles.*) You really are shy, aren't you? You're staring

- 1 down at your shoes.
- 2 RICHARD: Yes, they're dirty. I stepped in some mud coming
 3 in. (*A beat*) Did you know there's ten different types of
 4 soil within a fifty-mile radius of this place?
- 5 REPORTER: No. Really? I didn't know that. Is that true?
- 6 RICHARD: No.
- 7 REPORTER: Right. Why am I not surprised?