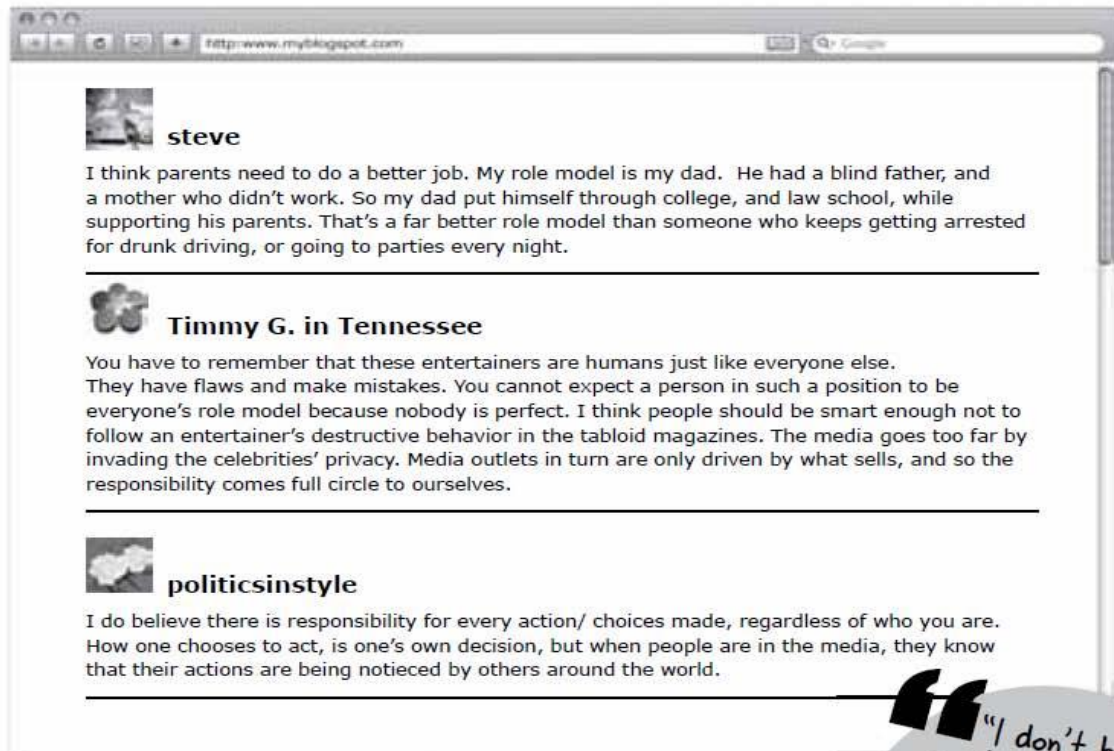


# Does Fame Come with Responsibility?

**Directions:** Read the blog below and answer the following questions.



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the address bar displaying "http://www.myblogspot.com". The page content includes three blog entries, each with a small profile picture icon, a name, and a paragraph of text.

**steve**  
I think parents need to do a better job. My role model is my dad. He had a blind father, and a mother who didn't work. So my dad put himself through college, and law school, while supporting his parents. That's a far better role model than someone who keeps getting arrested for drunk driving, or going to parties every night.

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**Timmy G. in Tennessee**  
You have to remember that these entertainers are humans just like everyone else. They have flaws and make mistakes. You cannot expect a person in such a position to be everyone's role model because nobody is perfect. I think people should be smart enough not to follow an entertainer's destructive behavior in the tabloid magazines. The media goes too far by invading the celebrities' privacy. Media outlets in turn are only driven by what sells, and so the responsibility comes full circle to ourselves.

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**politicsinstyle**  
I do believe there is responsibility for every action/ choices made, regardless of who you are. How one chooses to act, is one's own decision, but when people are in the media, they know that their actions are being noticed by others around the world.

- What do you think about celebrities being role models?
- Can we have other role models besides celebrities?
- Do you have any role models in your family?
- Can students be role models to each other?
- Are you a role model to someone else?

*"I don't believe professional athletes should be role models. I believe parents should be role models..."*  
-Charles Barkley  
Professional basketball player

