

Rudi and Adi Dassler: German shoemakers in the early 20th century. After equipping athletes at the 1928 and 1936 Olympics, they gained reputations as expert shoemakers and went on to found the companies Puma and Adidas.

Venus and Serena Williams: Professional tennis players who have both been ranked World No. 1 by the Women's Tennis Association, and have played against each other in eight Grand Slam finals, as well as playing together in doubles matches.

Noel and Liam Gallagher: British rock musicians who played together in the band Oasis. Noel left the band in 2009 to pursue a solo career, and Liam formed a new band, Beady Eye.

Olivia de Havilland and Joan Fontaine: Both British-American actresses, they are two of the last surviving Hollywood stars from the 1930s. They have both won Academy Awards.

Olivia de Havilland and Joan Fontaine

Take 1940s movie stars Olivia de Havilland and Joan Fontaine. The competitive relationship between these sisters is the stuff of Hollywood legend. 'I married first, won the Oscar before Olivia did. And if I die first, she'll undoubtedly be livid because I beat her to it,' Joan wrote in her autobiography. Their rivalry became very public in 1946 when Olivia won an Oscar. Joan was asked to present the award but Olivia refused to even shake her hand. 'They just don't have much in common,' commented one person at the time. Now in their 90s, the sisters apparently still loathe each other!



Noel and Liam Gallagher

More recently, the rivalry between rock stars Noel and Liam Gallagher has hit the news. As part of the band Oasis, they created some memorable music, but whenever they are interviewed, the brothers cannot resist putting each other down. 'There are only two things wrong with Liam,' Noel once said, 'everything he says and everything he does.' While the brothers were working on their second album, Liam invited some friends to the studio for a party. Noel was trying to work and ended up attacking Liam with a cricket bat. By 2011, the brothers had stopped working together and were suing each other – a sorry situation for any brothers to be in.



Rudolf and Adolf Dassler

But it's not just in show business where siblings fall out. Entrepreneurs Rudolf and Adolf Dassler started making sports shoes in the small German town of Herzogenaurach in the 1920s. Their factory south of the river became very successful but they were always very different. Adolf, or Adi, was a quiet craftsman while Rudolf was "a loud-mouthed salesman". Eventually, in 1948, the brothers fell out permanently. Rudolf moved across the river and set up a rival sports-shoe company, which he called Puma. In response, Adi used the first letters of his name and surname to create his brand – Adidas.

The brothers never spoke to each other again and their rivalry divided the town. The residents wore either Adidas or Puma and would sometimes refuse to mix with each other. It became a place where you always looked at the shoes someone was wearing before starting a conversation. The brothers died in the 1970s and were buried in the same cemetery – at opposite ends.

Serena and Venus Williams

But not all successful siblings hate each other. Top tennis players Serena and Venus Williams have played each other in over 20 major tennis tournament finals, but have always remained best friends. They played doubles together, lived together, and even had breakfast together before these big matches. 'We leave everything on the court,' Serena once said. 'We're sisters the moment we shake hands at the net.'



Which famous siblings...

1. Are friends despite their rivalry?
 - a. Rudi and Adi Dassler
 - b. Venus and Serena Williams
 - c. Olivia de Havilland and Joan Fontaine
2. Have continued their rivalry into old age?
 - a. Olivia de Havilland and Joan Fontaine
 - b. Rudi and Adi Dassler
 - c. Noel and Liam Gallagher
3. Have taken legal action against each other?
 - a. Rudi and Adi Dassler
 - b. Venus and Serena Williams
 - c. Noel and Liam Gallagher
4. Caused problems in their local community because of their rivalry?
 - a. Venus and Serena Williams
 - b. Olivia de Havilland and Joan Fontaine



