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"THERE'S A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN NICE AND GOOD. I CONSIDER MYSELF GOOD"

"Yeah, I don't even know where some of these stories come from," she says. "It's quite comical. It is what it is. It's all part of the job, I guess. People say what they want," she says matter-of-factly. "At the end of the day, we don't really need to prove anything to anyone."

On the topic of having more babies, Kerr gets quite fired up, "As if I'm going to tell the world my plan before I make it, to be transparent. Really? I'm going to tell you before I tell my grandma?"

Perhaps she could just indicate if she'd like more children? There's no need to reveal a hidden pregnancy.

"Oh, well, I've made that very clear. At one point... [But] I'm not pregnant. We can clear that up. I don't have a hidden pregnancy. Yep. That's one thing we can clear up," she laughs.

There's a perception that Bloom is lucky because he's bagged a supermodel, I suggest. However, Bloom is a leading man in two of Hollywood's biggest franchises of all time, *Pirates of the Caribbean* and *The Lord of the Rings*, and not too shabby to look at himself (this prompts a big laugh from Kerr). Does she ever feel insecure about the female attention lavished on him?

"To be honest I don't really... I don't really think that," she says. "I don't really feel like that has anything to do with us. I have my job and he has his job and as long as we feel good with each other, the other stuff is... you know, I knew what I was getting into and he knew what he was getting into. Very clearly we both had our careers before we were together, so we're lucky that we're both comfortable in ourselves and with each other and each other's positions. At the end of the day we're human, but we knew exactly what we were getting into."

So, you have good days and bad days like any normal relationship?

"Yeah, that's definitely... I believe that every relationship needs work," she says.

Months later, I phone Kerr in New York, where Bloom is in rehearsals to play Romeo in *Romeo and Juliet* on Broadway. A lot has happened in Kerr's life since we last spoke. Her high-profile contracts with Victoria's Secret and David Jones have ended amid reports that she was too expensive and could be difficult to work with. In March, she was injured in a car accident when she was hit by a drunk driver in LA (she has a bulging disc in her neck and has eschewed surgery for acupuncture, laser treatment and traction). In June, a man named Steven Swanson was arrested after he shared his plans with LA police to 'rescue' Kerr.

"Well, that was just a little bizarre," she says, in a weirded-out voice. "I didn't have any interactions personally with him at all so, you know, when I was made aware of it I was just like, 'OK, that's just a little bizarre, the whole story sounds a little bizarre,' and

um, I just tried not to be too concerned."

She also postponed a planned trip to Australia to have eye surgery – she suffered damage to her eyes, caused by errant lighting on photo shoots. "I had to have eye surgery because of scarring on my sclera," Kerr says in an update after our call. "I'm recovering well and looking forward to getting back to work very soon."

On a more positive note, she's just launched her Australian-made skincare range Kora Organics in Japan and is launching in the US. When we speak, she's spent the day hosting 20 US beauty editors at her home, discussing Kora. What are her long-term plans for Kora?

"Well, hopefully I want it to become a household name," Kerr, who studied nutrition when she finished school, says. "There's so much integrity behind the products because we use the highest quality, certified organic ingredients that really transform the skin. I've seen the results first-hand and I feel really proud."

Kerr has anecdotes at the ready about success stories people have shared with her after using Kora. There's a mother whose baby's psoriasis vanished, a woman whose dermatitis cleared up and a teenager whose bad acne disappeared.

Even her mum Therese got involved with the brand after becoming a convert to Kora, first as general manager and CEO before stepping down to events manager. "She had rosacea on her face and she was using some really nasty creams to try and get rid of it. I gave her Kora and she said, 'Wow, this really works. How can I get involved?'" Kerr says.

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