Mary Kay Ash



Mary Kay Ash was born in 1918 in Texas. Her mother was a restaurant manager and worked a lot. As a child, Mary Kay had to cook and take care of her sick father.

At the age of 16, Mary Kay got married. She and her husband had three children, but they got divorced. Mary Kay became a single mom. She got a job as a salesperson.

Mary Kay was very good at her job. She trained a lot of men. These men earned more money than Mary Kay. She decided to quit.

With her son, Mary Kay opened a small store. The store sold skin lotion. Women also hosted parties in their homes to sell the products. Mary Kay Cosmetics became a world-famous company. Mary Kay wrote several books. She also started a charity.

Directions: Use the text about Mary Kay Ash to answer the questions. Make sure your responses are in the past tense.

1. What was Mary Kay's mother's job?

2. How old was Mary Kay when she got married?

3. How many children did Mary Kay have?

4. Who did Mary Kay train?

5. Who did Mary Kay open a store with?

6. What did Mary Kay's store sell?

7. Where did women sell Mary Kay's products?

8. What did Mary Kay do after her company became famous?

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Directions: Combine the sentences with the correct conjunction.

9. Mary Kay had to cook for her sick father. Mary Kay had to take care of her sick father.

10. Mary Kay and Jerome got married in 1966. Mary Kay and Jerome got divorced in 1980.

11. Mary Kay was very good at her job. Mary Kay decided to quit her job.

12. Many men learned how to become good salesmen from Mary Kay. The men earned a lot of money.

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