

## READING EXERCISE

Read the text below and choose the correct word for each space. For each question, circle the letter next to the correct word –A, B, C, or D.

### Lionel Messi's Family Life

Lionel Messi is one of the most famous footballers in the world. Many people know about his career, but not everyone knows how important his (1) \_\_\_\_\_ is to him. Messi was born in Rosario, Argentina. He grew up in a very supportive home. His father worked in a factory and also helped coach his young son, while his mother (2) \_\_\_\_\_ part-time as a cleaner. Messi has two brothers and a sister. His brothers used to play football with him in the street, and his sister often (3) \_\_\_\_\_ to his matches to watch him play.



From a young age, Messi's talent was clear, but he also had health problems. His family supported him in every (4) \_\_\_\_\_. They moved to Spain when he was 13, so he could get better treatment and join FC Barcelona's youth team. Today, Messi is married to Antonela Roccuzzo, his childhood (5) \_\_\_\_\_. They have three children and enjoy (6) \_\_\_\_\_ time together. Messi says he tries to be a normal father when he is not on the pitch. He often plays with his kids and takes them to school. His wife helps him stay (7) \_\_\_\_\_ and focused. Even though he has won many trophies, Messi thinks the most important thing is being a good (8) \_\_\_\_\_. He often says that without his family, (9) \_\_\_\_\_ of his success would have been possible. Messi's life is a great example of how family love and support can help someone (10) \_\_\_\_\_ their dreams.

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| 1. A. family   | B. stadium  | C. game     | D. team   |
| 2. A. gave     | B. did      | C. worked   | D. made   |
| 3. A. moved    | B. came     | C. stayed   | D. drove  |
| 4. A. success  | B. time     | C. minute   | D. way    |
| 5. A. neighbor | B. teacher  | C. player   | D. coach  |
| 6. A. spends   | B. spending | C. to spend | D. spent  |
| 7. A. serious  | B. busy     | C. ready    | D. calm   |
| 8. A. captain  | B. brother  | C. person   | D. player |
| 9. A. Anyone   | B. No one   | C. Nothing  | D. None   |
| 10. A. follow  | B. lose     | C. enjoy    | D. forget |