

KOBE BRYANT

1. Watch the video.

2. Complete the sentences with a word from the box.

CRAZY	END	UPS	MOTIVATION	SPENT
CHAMPIONSHIPS	THROUGHOUT	TWENTY	PLAYER	TEAMMATES

- a. I can't believe how fast _____ years went by.
- b. It's absolutely _____ to be standing here at centre court with my _____ behind me.
- c. We've been through our _____ and downs and I think that the most important point is that we all stayed together _____.
- d. I knew everything about every _____ that's ever played here.
- e. We got our _____ and we did it the right way.
- f. Thank you for all the years of support, _____ and inspiration.
- g. I can't believe this has come to an _____.
- h. I've _____ many hours in the gym working and training.

3. Read the following sentences. What did Kobe mean?

- a. I appreciate the **journey** that we've been on.
- b. I grew up a **diehard** Laker fan.
- c. I'm more proud of the fact that **we didn't run during the down years**; we played through all that stuff.
- d. The funny thing that had me **cracking up all night long** was the fact that I go through twenty years of everybody screaming "Pass the ball" and on the last night they're like "Don't pass it!".
- e. Thank you from the **bottom** of my heart.