Reading Comprehension: Messi's life. The past tense

EX.1. Write the past tense of these verbs

E.g.: Listen: *listened*

Be: _____ (*past tense form for I / he / she / it*)

Start: _____ Make: _____ Play: _____

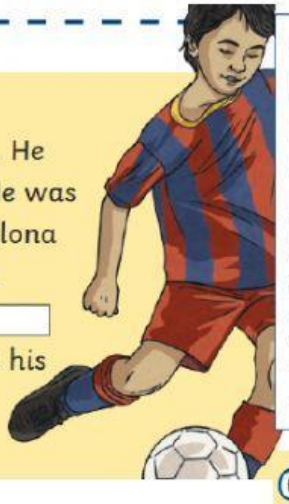
Not let: _____ Go: _____ Win: _____

Find: _____ Stay: _____ Return: _____

EX.2. Write the past tense of the verbs in EX.1 **IN THE CORRECT PLACE in the texts.**

Childhood

Lionel [ ] born on 24th June 1987 in Argentina. He [ ] playing football when he was a child. He was a talented young player and he [ ] to Barcelona to train with their youth team when he was 13. Lionel settled quickly in Spain but his family [ ] it harder to adapt. He [ ] in Barcelona with his father while the rest of his family [ ] to Argentina.



Sporting Career

Lionel [ ] his first game for FC Barcelona when he was 16. He [ ] history as the youngest player and goalscorer in the highest division of football in Spain. Lionel was shorter than most of the other players at 5 feet 7 inches but he [ ] that overcome him. He gained many fans with his pace and football skills.

Did You Know...?

Barcelona [ ] three European championship titles during the football season of 2008-2009 and again in 2014-2015.

Charity Work

Lionel has been involved with a number of charities. He set up his own organisation in order to help children who need special care or are at risk. Lionel also represents a charity called UNICEF which helps children across the world. Lionel donated a large amount of money to hospitals in Argentina and Spain so that they could help treat coronavirus patients in 2020.

EX.3. **Answer the questions**

1. Who did Lionel stay with in Barcelona? Tick **1(one)** answer.

a.father
b. mother
c. sister
d. brother

2. Number the events

Lionel trained for Qatar World Cup 2022

Lionel got many fans

Lionel was born in 1987

Lionel played in Barcelona

3. Where were the hospitals that Lionel donated money to in 2020? Tick **2 (two)** options.

France Argentina United Kingdom Spain

LIVEWORKSHEETS