

Reading Comprehension: Messi's life. The past tense

EX.1. Write the past tense of these verbs

E.g.: Listen: listened

Start: _____

Make: _____

Play: _____

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

Not let: _____
Find: _____

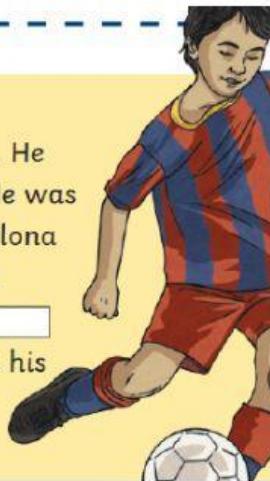
Go: _____
Stay: _____

Win: _____
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.

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