

READ THE TEXT**"Footballer of the World"**

Lionel Andrés Messi was born on June 24<sup>th</sup>, 1987 in Rosario, Argentina. He has been a Newell's Old Boys fan since he was little so, he started playing football at this club. At the age of 11, he suffered from a hormone deficiency and as Lionel's parents



were unable to pay for the treatment in Argentina, they decided to move to Barcelona, Spain. On May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2005, he became the youngest player ever to score a league goal for FC Barcelona. In June, 2005 he starred for the Argentina Under 20 team that won the Football World Youth Championship.

Although he is young, he has won many championships, medals and he has played with the most famous footballers of the world such as Ronaldinho, Iniesta and Xabi Alonso among others. Messi received the Golden Boot as top scorer with 6 goals, and the Golden Ball for the best player of the tournament for four consecutive years and he got the Guinness World Records title for the most goals in a year, 91 goals, too.

Messi maintains close ties to Rosario and his family since leaving to Spain. He enjoys doing video conferences with his family and when he travels to Argentina he loves visiting friends.

CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER: TRUE- FALSE- DOESN'T SAY

**TRUE      FALSE      DOESN'T  
SAY**

1. Messi comes from Argentina.
2. He has liked football since he was young.
3. When he was little he played very well.
4. He moved to Barcelona when he was ten.
5. At the age of 17, he scored his first league goal.
6. He never won a Football World Youth Championship.
7. He has received a lot of trophies.
8. He is also a great swimmer.
9. He has never returned to Rosario.
10. He loves his family and friends.

MULTIPLE CHOICE

1. We usually play football \_\_\_\_\_ Mondays and Saturdays.  
a. on                      b. in                      c. from
2. They always train \_\_\_\_\_ Mondays to Fridays.  
a. on                      b. in                      c. from

3. The name of the place where you go skiing is \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. ring                      b. slope                      c. track
4. Let's go swimming. Take your \_\_\_\_\_, trunks and cap.  
a. poles                      b. goggles                      c. net
5. We have some new \_\_\_\_\_ to play golf.  
a. bats                      b. clubs                      c. pins
6. Do you \_\_\_\_\_ badminton?  
a. play                      b. do                      c. go
7. Why don't we \_\_\_\_\_ jogging?  
a. play                      b. do                      c. go
8. I don't like \_\_\_\_\_ yoga because it is boring.  
a. do                      b. doing                      c. going
9. I enjoy \_\_\_\_\_ to the cinema.  
a. do                      b. doing                      c. going
10. Students \_\_\_\_\_ shout in the classroom.  
a. must                      b. mustn't                      c. like
11. Both, boys and girls \_\_\_\_\_ play basketball.  
a. can                      b. can't                      c. mustn't
12. Running is \_\_\_\_\_ because you don't need any special equipment.  
a. expensive                      b. cheap                      c. dangerous
13. Snowboarding is as \_\_\_\_\_ skiing.  
a. difficult as                      b. more difficult                      c. most difficult
14. I think tennis is \_\_\_\_\_ than swimming.  
a. easy as                      b. easier                      c. easiest
15. I believe Messi is the \_\_\_\_\_ footballer in the world.  
a. good                      b. better                      c. best

DRAG THE ANSWER UNDER THE CORRECT QUESTION

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| 1. What's your favourite sport?            | a. You need a ball, goals and boots.                     |
| 2. Is it a team or individual sport?       | b. My favourite sport is football.                       |
| 3. Where do players play it?               | c. Players must kick the ball but they mustn't catch it. |
| 4. What equipment do you need to play it?  | d. It's played on a pitch.                               |
| 5. What are some of the most common rules? | e. It's a team sport.                                    |