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## BIOGRAPHY OF ARIANA GRANDE

Read the biography of Ariana and complete the activities that follow.



### Early life

Ariana Grande-Butera also known as "Ari" is an American singer and actress. She was born on June 26, 1993, in Boca Raton, Florida, USA to Edward Butera, a graphic designer, and Joan Grande, a businesswoman. Her favorite film is "Bruce Almighty", and her favorite color is purple. She dislikes cats, and bananas as she is allergic to them. She took to singing and acting at a young age and made her way onto the local theater scene before she was a teenager. Her first big break came in 2008 when the 15-year-old landed the role of Charlotte in the Broadway production of 13, a play focusing on life growing up in New York City. The early role led to future successes, and Grande won a National Youth Theatre Association Award.

Grande then landed her breakout role in the Nickelodeon series *Victorious*. *Victorious* was set at a performing arts high school, and Grande was cast as a goofy aspiring singer-actress named Cat Valentine. While busy with the show, Grande nevertheless pursued a musical career, making her first appearance on a record with the *Victorious* soundtrack. And in 2011, Grande released the single "Put Your Hearts Up," a pop song aimed at the hearts of her young *Victorious* audience. The show's devoted fan base

voted *Victorious* Favorite TV Show at the 2012 Nickelodeon Kids' Choice Awards.

### Successes

"The Way" was the first single from Grande's debut album, *Yours Truly*, a record that also featured the hits "Baby I" and "Right There." The 2014 release *My Everything* sold 169,000 copies in its first week, debuting at No. 1. Another hit which followed was "Love Me Harder" with The Weekend followed, which climbed the top of the chart. Among her many accolades, Grande has won six iHeartRadio Music Awards, five MTV Video Music Awards and three American Music Awards. She has also earned 12 Grammy nominations and one win. Her album "Yours Truly" also debuted in the top ten in several other countries, including Australia, the UK, Ireland, and the Netherlands. Other songs such as "Thank you next", a collaboration with Nicki Minaj "Side to Side", "7 Rings" and "Focus" have all received positive acclaim. She has an international fan base, and people really love her music.

Answer the following questions.

1. Who is Ariana Grande?

2. When was she born?

3. Where was she born?

4. Who are her parents?

5. State three types of awards that Grande has received

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6. Which of her song did she have a duo with Nicki Minaj?

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7. How successful was the album "My Everything"?

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8. Do you like listening to Ariana's song? If yes or no say why.

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**Complete the factsheet about Ariana**



Ariana Grande

Date of birth\_\_\_\_\_

Place of birth\_\_\_\_\_

Mother's name\_\_\_\_\_

Father's name\_\_\_\_\_

Husband's name\_\_\_\_\_

Likes\_\_\_\_\_

Dislikes\_\_\_\_\_