

LESSON 1

1 Read about Yao Ming's life.

Yao Ming's Life Story



Yao Ming was born on September 12, 1980. He grew up in a small apartment in Shanghai, China, with his parents. They were both basketball players, too—and tall! Their son is 2.26 meters (7 feet 5 inches). Yao doesn't have any brothers or sisters. When he was about nine, he went to the Youth Sports School in Shanghai. In China, he played for the Shanghai Sharks.

In 2002, Yao moved to the United States to play professional basketball. He plays for the Houston Rockets. When Yao first moved to Houston, he lived with his mother. Yao's mother cooked Chinese food for him, did the laundry, and cleaned their four-bedroom house.

Now look at the answers and write questions.

1. A: \_\_\_\_\_ B: On September 12, 1980.  
2. A: \_\_\_\_\_ B: In Shanghai, China.  
3. A: \_\_\_\_\_ B: At the Youth Sports School.  
4. A: \_\_\_\_\_ B: In 2002.

2 For each academic subject, write an occupation.

1. architecture: \_\_\_\_\_  
2. business: \_\_\_\_\_  
3. medicine: \_\_\_\_\_  
4. education: \_\_\_\_\_  
5. engineering: \_\_\_\_\_

Shakira Biography

Shakira Isabel Mebarak Ripoll is a Colombian singer of Latin pop-rock. She was born on February 2, 1977, in the city of Barranquilla, Colombia. Unique daughter of William Mebarak Chadid, American and Nidia del Carmen Ripoll Torrado, Colombian of Catalan descent.

Since the age of five, she showed artistic attitudes, demonstrating her talent in the interpretation of Arab dances and songs. At the age of eight, she composed her first song, "Tus gafas oscuras" dedicated to her father, and began performing on radio and television programs.

While it is known that Shakira attended a Catholic high school in Colombia as a teen, the specifics of her education history are a bit vague and nonspecific. The singer attended an unnamed Catholic school in the early 1990s.

Pop diva Shakira has graduated with a degree in Ancient Philosophy from the University of Pennsylvania in 2020, a course she took during the lockdown in the wake of the coronavirus pandemic.

Actually she lives in America with her sons, she continues to compose and sing.

3 Get to know a famous person's life story. Choose a famous person. Answer the questions. Use the Internet, books, and other sources for information.

1. Person's name: \_\_\_\_\_  
2. When was he / she born? \_\_\_\_\_  
3. Where was he / she born? \_\_\_\_\_  
4. Where did he / she grow up? \_\_\_\_\_  
5. What school did he / she go to? \_\_\_\_\_  
6. What did he / she study? \_\_\_\_\_  
7. Did he / she graduate? When? \_\_\_\_\_  
8. What does he / she do now? \_\_\_\_\_

LESSON 2

4 What are you going to do this summer? Check the boxes.

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|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> travel          | <input type="checkbox"/> relax                 | <input type="checkbox"/> exercise     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> go camping      | <input type="checkbox"/> sleep late            | <input type="checkbox"/> work         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> go fishing      | <input type="checkbox"/> do nothing            | <input type="checkbox"/> go to school |
| <input type="checkbox"/> go bike riding  | <input type="checkbox"/> hang out with friends | <input type="checkbox"/> move         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> go to the beach | <input type="checkbox"/> go for walks          | <input type="checkbox"/> go swimming  |



5 Now write to a friend about your plans. Write sentences with **be going to**.

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6 Answer the questions about your future plans with **be going to**.

1. What are you going to do tonight? \_\_\_\_\_  
2. What are you going to do tomorrow? \_\_\_\_\_  
3. What are you going to do tomorrow night? \_\_\_\_\_  
4. What are you going to do the day after tomorrow? \_\_\_\_\_

7 Read the sentences. Ask **yes / no** questions with **be going to**.

1. A: Rachel has a toothache.  
B: Is she going to see a dentist ?  
2. A: Jack doesn't feel well.  
B: \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
3. A: I'm making chicken with rice, but there isn't any rice on the shelf.  
B: \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
4. A: Anthony is going to travel to Europe.  
B: \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
5. A: I don't have a clean shirt for work tomorrow.  
B: \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
6. A: Julia is going to study medicine.  
B: \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
7. A: We don't have any plans this weekend.  
B: \_\_\_\_\_ ?