

### **LIONEL MESSI:**

Lionel Andres Messi was born on June 24, 1987 in Rosario, Argentina. Messi grew up with two older brothers who also loved to play football. At the age of four Messi joined his local football club and he was trained by his father. As a child he was diagnosed with an illness. As he was a very promising player, he moved to Spain at the age of 13 and the club he joined in Barcelona agreed to pay for his medical treatment.

Messi made his professional debut at the age of 17, and at 20 he was already a star player. In 2008 he signed on with FC Barcelona and he stayed until 2021 when he moved on to Paris Saint-Germain for two years before joining Inter Miami in 2023. Messi is an exciting striker and scores in almost every game he plays. He always wore the number 10 with Barcelona and still does for the Argentine national team. Messi is known as one of the most talented football players of all time. He has won numerous titles and trophies in his career and has the record for most official goals with over 800!

### **ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:**

1. What does Messi do?

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2. Where is he from?

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3. When was he born?

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4. When did he start playing football?

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5. Who was his first coach?

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6. When and where did he move?

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7. What happened in 2008?

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8. In which clubs did he play?

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9. What number did he wear?

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10. How many goals has he scored so far?