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Manny Pacquiao, A Man of Many Talents

One of the most successful and well-known boxers in the world today is Manny Pacquiao. Not only is he an athlete, but he's also an actor, a singer, and a politician. In fact, Manny is the only active boxer to be elected as a congressman in the Philippines.

Manny was born in Kibawe, Bukidnon, Philippines, in 1978. He has five brothers and sisters. His brother, Bobby, is also a professional boxer. Manny started boxing when he was 14 and soon after became a member of the Philippine national boxing team because of his talent.

At the age of 16, Manny became a professional boxer. At the time, he was only four feet, eleven inches tall and weighed 98 pounds. Manny won his first professional match and became a boxing star. His professional boxing record is excellent – he has won most of his boxing matches. Along the way, Manny has also won several major world boxing titles.

In 2008, Manny began his acting career, taking small roles in some local Filipino movies. He then went on to star in a number of movies, and he also hosted a Filipino TV reality show. In addition, Manny began recording Tagalog songs in 2006.

Manny announced his decision to run for political office in the Philippines in February 2007. He lost his first time running for office, but ran again in 2009 and won by a wide margin.



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READING Exercise 1

Read the article about the boxer Manny Pacquiao. Check the answers. Click *Read* to start.



	Boxing	Acting	Singing	Running for political office
Manny started doing this when he was a teenager.	☐	☐	☐	☐
Manny was successful doing this in movies.	☐	☐	☐	☐
Manny was unsuccessful the first time he did this.	☐	☐	☐	☐
Manny won several world titles for doing this.	☐	☐	☐	☐
Manny uses only his voice in this activity.	☐	☐	☐	☐



READING Exercise 2



Read the article about boxer Manny Pacquiao. Choose the correct words or phrases to complete the sentences. Click *Read* to start.

1. Manny is the only active [▾] to be elected to political office in the Philippines.
2. Manny has five [▾].
3. Manny has a brother who is also a professional [▾].
4. Manny was very [▾] when he started his professional boxing career.
5. When Manny began his acting career, he was mostly offered [▾] parts in local movies.
6. Manny hosted a Filipino [▾] TV show.
7. Manny lost the [▾] time he ran for political office in the Philippines.



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