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Pelé was a Brazilian professional footballer from Sao Paulo, Brazil. He is regarded as one of the greatest players of all time.

Pelé began playing for Santos at age 15 and the Brazil national team at 16. During his international career, he won three FIFA World Cups: 1958, 1962 and 1970, the only player to do so and the youngest player to win a World Cup.

With 77 goals in 92 games for Brazil, Pelé held the record as the national team's top goal scorer for over fifty years .

He scored almost a goal every game during his career. Pelé was great at striking the ball with both feet. He was mostly a striker, but he could also drop deep and take on a playmaking role, creating assists with his vision and passing ability. He also used his dribbling skills to go past other players.

In Brazil, he was named as a national hero for his achievements in football and for his charity work, which helped many poor people around the world.

Pele became a global sports star, and was a source of inspiration to many young people around the world.

1. What age did Pele begin playing for Santos?

2. Where was Pele from?

3. When did Pele win the World Cup?

4. How many goals did Pele score for Brazil?

5. Why was Pele named a national hero?