

READING EXERCISE

Read the text below and choose the correct word for each space. For each question, circle the letter next to the correct word –A, B, C, or D.

Lionel Messi's Family Life

Lionel Messi is one of the most famous footballers in the world. Many people know about his career, but not everyone knows how important his (1) _____ is to him. Messi was born in Rosario, Argentina. He grew up in a very supportive home. His father worked in a factory and also helped coach his young son, while his mother (2) _____ part-time as a cleaner. Messi has two brothers and a sister. His brothers used to play football with him in the street, and his sister often (3) _____ to his matches to watch him play.



From a young age, Messi's talent was clear, but he also had health problems. His family supported him in every (4) _____. They moved to Spain when he was 13, so he could get better treatment and join FC Barcelona's youth team. Today, Messi is married to Antonela Roccuzzo, his childhood (5) _____. They have three children and enjoy (6) _____ time together. Messi says he tries to be a normal father when he is not on the pitch. He often plays with his kids and takes them to school. His wife helps him stay (7) _____ and focused. Even though he has won many trophies, Messi thinks the most important thing is being a good (8) _____. He often says that without his family, (9) _____ of his success would have been possible. Messi's life is a great example of how family love and support can help someone (10) _____ their dreams.

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| 1. A. family | B. stadium | C. game | D. team |
| 2. A. gave | B. did | C. worked | D. made |
| 3. A. moved | B. came | C. stayed | D. drove |
| 4. A. success | B. time | C. minute | D. way |
| 5. A. neighbor | B. teacher | C. player | D. coach |
| 6. A. spends | B. spending | C. to spend | D. spent |
| 7. A. serious | B. busy | C. ready | D. calm |
| 8. A. captain | B. brother | C. person | D. player |
| 9. A. Anyone | B. No one | C. Nothing | D. None |
| 10. A. follow | B. lose | C. enjoy | D. forget |