



Michael Jordan

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Pages 1–6

While reading

1 Match A with B.

A	B
a Michael	1 goes to college early.
b His father	2 has number 45.
c Larry	3 teaches at a university.
d Roslyn	4 builds a basketball court.
e Dean Smith	5 is from New York.

2 Answer the questions.

- a Who is Michael's best friend?
.....
- b What are his favorite sports?
.....
- c Where does he play basketball?
.....
- d What is his number?
.....
- e Who is his new coach?
.....
- f What is the name of his college team?
.....

3 Look at the picture on page 6 and answer the questions.

- a What year is it?
.....
- b Which teams are playing?
.....
- c Where is the game?
.....
- d How many people are watching?
.....
- e Who are winning?
.....
- f Who has the ball?
.....
- g Does the ball go into the basket?
.....
- h Which team wins the game?
.....

Pages 7–15

4 Are these sentences right (✓) or wrong (X)?

- a Michael leaves college early.
- b Michael is the tallest player in the NBA.
- c He plays for the Chicago Bulls.

- d He wins two Olympic awards.
- e Nike gives him \$130,000,000.
- f In 1984, the Bulls are the best team.
- g Phil Jackson is a new player.
- h Some boys kill Michael's father.
- i Michael is in a baseball team.

5 Read the sentences. One word in every sentence is wrong. Make it right.

- a Michael gives his Olympic award to his father.
.....
- b Michael has three sons and one daughter.
.....
- c He becomes a baseball coach in 1994.
.....
- d He stops playing for the Bulls in 1995.
.....
- e He retires from baseball in 1999.
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After reading

6 Circle the word that is different.

- a tall year strong famous
- b happy important love good
- c stay move go game
- d summer player mother daughter
- e court coach friend student

7 Put the sentences in the right order to make the story. Write the numbers 1–13.

- a "The shot" is in the newspapers.
- b Michael starts his job with the Bulls.
- c Michael buys the Washington Wizards.
- d Michael goes to Los Angeles.
- e Michael has his old number again.
- f Michael is in the "B" team.
- g Michael is tall.
- h Michael goes to college.
- i Michael meets Juanita.
- j Michael's family move to North Carolina.
- k Michael's father is dead.
- l Michael's number is 45.
- m Michael finishes college.

8 Work in pairs. Think about Michael Jordan in 2003. Make notes about his life. Use the words in the box and your own words.

rich famous happy family basketball problems

9 Now write about Michael Jordan in 2003.



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1 Match the words with their opposites.

a old	1 little
b big	2 tall
c brother	3 early
d short	4 go
e morning	5 after
f start	6 daughter
g come	7 young
h son	8 finish
i before	9 sister
j late	10 evening

2 Write the words from the box in the right places.

at x2 for from in x2 on x2 to x2 with

- a Michael Jordan comes the United States.
- b Please talk me.
- c My brother is home.
- d Does he go school?
- e The game starts seven.
- f They arrived August.
- g Come and visit us Saturday.
- h We have a good time the summer.
- i My friend is staying us.
- j He didn't play a year.
- k Let's meet January 1st.

3 Match A and B.

A	B
a Michael's team is	1 with his sister.
b Larry is	2 the name of some shoes.
c Michael goes to university	3 the Chicago Bulls.
d "Air Jordan" is	4 Michael's film.
e "Space Jam" is	5 Michael's big brother.
f Jasmine is	6 a basketball team.
g Michael buys	7 Michael's daughter.

4 Choose the right words in *italics*.

- a The Tar Heels are Michael's *school / college* team.
- b Michael finishes college after *three / four* years.
- c Michael wins *one Olympic award / two Olympic awards*.
- d Juanita *knows / doesn't know* about basketball.
- e Michael is a *good / very good* baseball player.
- f Michael *never / sometimes* plays basketball for the Washington Wizards.

5 Which is right, 1, 2 or 3?

- a "The NBA" is
 - 1) a basketball team.
 - 2) all the best American basketball teams.
 - 3) a basketball award.
- b The young Michael
 - 1) didn't play basketball.
 - 2) was a basketball star.
 - 3) wasn't the best basketball player.
- c People buy the shoes because
 - 1) Michael makes them.
 - 2) Michael has some.
 - 3) they are Nike shoes.
- d Michael retires in 1993 because
 - 1) he is old.
 - 2) he can't have the same number.
 - 3) he wants to be with his family.
- e Michael goes back to basketball
 - 1) with number 31.
 - 2) with number 45.
 - 3) with number 23.
- f In 1999, Michael stops playing
 - 1) for the Bulls.
 - 2) baseball.
 - 3) basketball.

6 Who says or thinks these sentences? Write the names from the box in the right places.

Michael's father Michael's mother Michael
Larry Jeffrey

- a "Go to school!"
- b "I want to be tall."
- c "My number is 45."
- d "My big brother is a good player."
.....
- e "My brother is Marcus."
- f "Life is short."
- g "Please finish your college work."
.....
- h "I have a basketball team."

7 Write questions for the answers.

- a ?
Young Michael played in his back yard at home.
- b ?
They are Michael's children.
- c ?
He went there in 1978.