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2BIMESTRE DEL 2 CUATRIMESTRE

Lionel Andrés Messi

Messi was born on 24 June 1987 in Rosario, Santa Fe, the third of four children of Jorge Messi, a steel factory manager, and his wife Celia Cuccittini, who worked in a magnet manufacturing workshop. "Leo" developed a passion for the sport from an early age, playing constantly with his older brothers, Rodrigo and Matías, and his cousins, Maximiliano and Emanuel Biancucchi, both of whom became professional footballers. At the age of four he joined local club Grandoli, where he was coached by his father, though his earliest influence as a player came from his maternal grandmother, Celia, who accompanied him to training and matches

A lifelong supporter of Newell's Old Boys, Messi joined the Rosario club when he was six years old. During the six years he played for Newell's, he scored almost 500 goals as a member of "The Machine of '87", the near-unbeatable youth side named for the year of their birth, and regularly entertained crowds by performing ball tricks during half-time of the first team's home games. However, his future as a professional player was threatened when, at age 10, he was diagnosed with a growth hormone deficiency. As his father's health insurance covered only two years of growth hormone treatment, which cost at least \$1,000 per month, Newell's agreed to contribute, but later reneged on their promise. He was scouted by Buenos Aires club River Plate, but they were also unable to pay for his treatment due to Argentina's economic collapse. His goalscoring idol growing up was Ronaldo, with Messi calling him "the best forward I've ever seen"

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After a year at Barcelona's youth academy, La Masia, Messi was finally enrolled in the Royal Spanish Football Federation (RFEF) in February 2002. After completing his growth hormone treatment aged 14, Messi became an integral part of the "Baby Dream Team", Barcelona's greatest-ever youth side.

Now he plays as a forward for Paris Saint-Germain and captains the Argentina national team.

A.- READ THE BIOGRAPHY AND COMPLETE

NAME:

DATE OF BIRTH:

PLACE OF BIRTH:

FATHER.

MOTHER:

BROTHERS:

PLACES WHERE HE PLAYED:

CLUB WHERE HE IS PLAYING NOW:

B.- COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ABOUT YOU

NAME

DATE OF BIRTH

PLACE OF BIRTH

FATHER

MOTHER:

BROTHERS/SISTERS

WHAT YOU DO:

C.- NOW WRITE SMALL BIOGRAPHY ABOUT YOU USING THE INFORMATION FROM EXERCISE B.