

TIGER WOODS

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THE READING / TAPESCRIPT

Tiger Woods is one of the most successful golfers ever. He has the potential to be the greatest of all time. He has been number one in the world for most of the past decade and looks like hanging on to that position for a while to come. His real name is Eldrick; Tiger is a nickname his father gave him.

Tiger shot to fame as a two-year-old. He showed off his skills on television in 1978 with comedian Bob Hope. In 1990, aged 15, he became the youngest ever U.S. Junior Amateur Champion. There were dozens of records and victories in between. In 1994, Woods became the youngest ever winner of the U.S. Amateur Championship. He turned professional two years later.

Sports experts predict he will become sports first billionaire. He cannot stop winning. He has the second highest number of major golf championships of any male player, and he's still young. His career is full of impressive records. He's the youngest player to win the US Open and the youngest and fastest to win 50 tournaments. It seems likely he'll break more records.

Woods is a Buddhist. He got his faith from his Thai mother. He said it helps control his stubbornness and impatience. It perhaps also explains his charity work. He has set up many projects to help disadvantaged youngsters. He believes being a good role model is much more important than golf and has helped thousands of teenagers around the world.

245 words
Flesch Kinkaid 6.1

SYNONYM MATCH: Match the words from the article on the left with their synonyms on the right. Are your answers the same as other students'?

Paragraphs 1 and 2

- | | |
|----------------|---------------|
| 1. potential | a. rose |
| 2. of all time | b. displayed |
| 3. while | c. ever |
| 4. shot | d. capability |
| 5. showed off | e. became |
| 6. turned | f. time |

Paragraphs 3 and 4

- | | |
|-------------------|------------------|
| 7. experts | g. forecast |
| 8. predict | h. religion |
| 9. likely | i. specialists |
| 10. faith | j. pigheadedness |
| 11. stubbornness | k. needy |
| 12. disadvantaged | l. probable |

PHRASE MATCH: Match the following phrases from the article.

- | | |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. the potential to be the greatest | a. disadvantaged youngsters |
| 2. hanging on to that position for | b. skills on television |
| 3. Tiger shot to fame | c. a while to come |
| 4. He showed off his | d. break more records |
| 5. dozens of records and | e. from his Thai mother |
| 6. His career is full | f. of all time |
| 7. It seems likely he'll | g. as a two-year-old |
| 8. He got his faith | h. much more important |
| 9. projects to help | i. victories in between |
| 10. being a good role model is | j. of impressive records |

LISTENING GAP FILL:

Tiger Woods _____ successful golfers ever. He has the potential to be the greatest of all time. He has been number one in _____ of the past decade and looks like hanging _____ position for a _____. His real name is Eldrick; Tiger is a nickname his father gave him.

Tiger _____ a two-year-old. He showed off his skills on television in 1978 with comedian Bob Hope. In 1990, aged 15, he became _____ U.S. Junior Amateur Champion. There _____ records and victories in between. In 1994, Woods became the youngest ever winner of the U.S. Amateur Championship. He _____ two years later.

_____ he will become sports first billionaire. He cannot stop winning. He has the second _____ major golf championships of any male player, and he's still young. His _____ impressive records. He's the youngest player to win the US Open and the youngest and fastest to win 50 tournaments. It _____ break more records.

Woods is a Buddhist. He _____ Thai mother. He said it helps control his _____ impatience. It perhaps also explains his charity work. He _____ projects to help disadvantaged youngsters. He _____ good role model is much more important than golf and has helped thousands of teenagers around the world.

CHOOSE THE CORRECT WORD:

Delete the wrong word in each of the pairs in italics.

Tiger Woods is *one / once* of the most successful golfers ever. He has the potential to *been / be* the greatest of all time. He has been number one in the world for *most / best* of the past decade and looks like hanging on to that position for a *when / while* to come. His real name is Eldrick; Tiger is a nickname his father gave him.

Tiger shot to fame *as / was* a two-year-old. He showed *off / on* his skills on television in 1978 with comedian Bob Hope. In 1990, aged 15, he became the youngest ever U.S. Junior Amateur Champion. There were *dozen / dozens* of records and victories in between. In 1994, Woods became the youngest ever winner of the U.S. Amateur Championship. He turned professional two years *later / sooner*.

Sports *experts / exports* predict he will become sports first billionaire. He cannot stop *whining / winning*. He has the second highest number of major golf championships of any *mail / male* player, and he's still young. His career is full of impressive records. He's the youngest player to win the US Open and the youngest and fastest to win 50 tournaments. It seems *likely / likelihood* he'll break more records.

Woods is a Buddhist. He got his *faithful / faith* from his Thai mother. He said it helps *control / controls* his stubbornness and impatience. It perhaps also explains his charity work. He has *set / sit* up many projects to help disadvantaged youngsters. He believes being a good *role / roll* model is much more important than golf and has helped thousands of teenagers around the world.

SPELLING:

These jumbled words are from the text. Spell them correctly.

Paragraph 1

1. one of the most sufccusesl golfers ever
2. He has the eotinplat to be the greatest
3. number one in the world for most of the past addece
4. Tiger is a ceimaknn his father gave him

Paragraph 2

5. Tiger shot to mfea as a two-year-old
6. There were oeznds of records and victories
7. the youngest ever reiwnn
8. He ndreut professional two years later

Paragraph 3

9. Sports experts edcitrp he will become sports first billionaire
10. He cannot stop ninnwgi
11. His career is full of impressive rosrdce
12. It seems ylkeli he'll break more

Paragraph 4

13. He got his thfai from his Thai mother
14. it helps nlrotoc his stubbornness and impatience
15. help disadvantaged nsuryegtos
16. thousands of tregseane around the world

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () of impressive records. He's the youngest player to win the US Open and the youngest and
- () Tiger shot to fame as a two-year-old. He showed off his skills
- (**1**) Tiger Woods is one of the most successful golfers ever. He has the potential to be the
- () important than golf and has helped thousands of teenagers around the world.
- () Sports experts predict he will become sports first billionaire. He cannot stop
- () stubbornness and impatience. It perhaps also explains his charity work. He has set
- () Woods is a Buddhist. He got his faith from his Thai mother. He said it helps control his
- () on television in 1978 with comedian Bob Hope. In 1990, aged 15, he became the youngest ever U.S. Junior Amateur Champion. There were dozens of
- () up many projects to help disadvantaged youngsters. He believes being a good role model is much more
- () greatest of all time. He has been number one in the world for most of the past decade and looks like hanging on
- () fastest to win 50 tournaments. It seems likely he'll break more records.
- () to that position for a while to come. His real name is Eldrick; Tiger is a nickname his father gave him.
- () winning. He has the second highest number of major golf championships of any male player, and he's still young. His career is full
- () winner of the U.S. Amateur Championship. He turned professional two years later.
- () records and victories in between. In 1994, Woods became the youngest ever

SCRAMBLED SENTENCES

With your partner, put the words back into the correct order.

1. most golfers one the successful ever of

2. of most for decade past the

3. that a come to for to on position while hanging

4. shot to fame as a two-year-old Tiger

5. turned He later years two professional

6. billionaire first sports become will he

7. impressive His is of records career full

8. mother Thai his from faith his got He

9. control it his helps stubbornness

10. model being is a much good more role important

TIGER WOODS DISCUSSION:

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. What do you know about Tiger Woods?
2. Would you like to meet Tiger Woods?
3. What would you like to know about Tiger Woods and why?
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____

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TIGER WOODS DISCUSSION:

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. What did you learn from this text about Tiger Woods?
2. What questions would you like to ask Tiger Woods?
3. What would his answers be to those questions?
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____

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TIGER WOODS SURVEY:

Write five questions about Tiger Woods in the table. Do this in pairs/groups. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper.

Without your partner, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

Return to your original partner(s) and share and talk about what you found out. Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITING:

Write about Tiger Woods for 10 minutes. Show your partner your paper. Correct each other's work.

HOMEWORK

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find more information about Tiger Woods. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. TIGER WOODS POSTER: Make a poster showing the different stages of the life of Tiger Woods. Show your poster to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all find out similar things?

4. MAGAZINE ARTICLE: Write a magazine article about Tiger Woods. Include an imaginary interview with him. Write about what he does every day and what he thinks about.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

5. LETTER: Write a letter to Tiger Woods. Ask him three questions about his life. Give him three suggestions on what he should do in his future. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your "Tiger Woods expert" partner(s) will try and answer your questions.

ANSWERS

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ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Look at the text on page 2.