



# *My idol is Messi*

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# Biography



*Lionel was born on 24 June, 1987 in Argentina, in Rosario. Future football star's father worked hard at the factory and his mother was a cleaning lady. There were three children in the family, except Lionel: two boys and a girl. Little Lionel started to train in a team called "Gandoli" when he was 5. The only person in the family who really appreciated the little footballer's talent was his grandmother. He often dedicates his goals to her.*

# Career



***Argentine footballer, forward for FC "Barcelona" and the captain of the Argentina national team since 2011 Lionel is considered to be the best forward in the history of "Barcelona" and the Argentina national team. Besides, he is one of the best players of our time and even of all time.***





# *Personal life of Lionel Messi*

*Despite his magnificent career, Messi is very modest.*

*In 2009, Leo meets his true love – Antonella Rocuzzo. He first met her at the age of five.*



***In 2011 Lionel and Antonella learned that they were going to become parents. 9 months later their son , Thiago, was born at the Barcelona hospital.***

***In April, 2015 Lionel Messi declared in his instagram that he and his wife Antonella Rocuzzowere expecting their second child. "We are waiting for you, baby. We love you!", said the inscription under the photo.***



# ***Lionel Messi's awards :***



***Winner of the Golden ball FIFA Club world Cup (2): 2009, 2011***

***The winner of the "Silver ball" at the Club world championship:  
2015***

***The owner of "Golden ball" according to "France Football": 2009***

***Best player in the world by FIFA: 2009***

***The best player in the world by FIFPro (4): 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012***

***The world's best player according to World Soccer (5): 2009,  
2011, 2012, 2015, 2016***

***The best football player of Europe (Onze d'or) (3): 2009, 2011,  
2012***

<https://youtu.be/NGEdTfAPLzo>

**The End.**

**Thank you for attention!**