

Read the biography passage carefully. Then answer each question below in complete sentences.

Look for key facts about the person's early life, achievements, and impact. Use details from the passage to support your answers.

## Pelé: The King of Soccer



Did you know Pelé is one of the greatest soccer players ever?

People called him "The King" for his amazing skills on the field.

Pelé was born Edson Arantes do Nascimento in Brazil in 1940. He loved soccer and practiced with a makeshift ball, often a sock stuffed with paper. He dreamed big.

He started playing professional soccer at just 15. Pelé helped Brazil win the FIFA World Cup three times: in 1958, 1962, and 1970. No other player has won it three times!

One challenge Pelé faced was a serious injury during the 1962 World Cup. He could not play, but his teammates won the trophy, showing teamwork.

Today, Pelé is remembered for scoring many goals and making soccer popular globally. His legacy shows hard work and passion lead to success.

### COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

(1) Where was Pelé born?

- (A) Brazil   (B) Argentina   (C) United States   (D) Portugal

(2) Pelé helped his country win the FIFA World Cup \_\_\_\_\_ times.

*— continue writing on the lines below*



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**(3) What does the word "makeshift" mean as it is used in the passage?**

- A new and shiny    B made from what is available    C very expensive  
 D bought from a store

**(4) Why do you think Pelé's teammates played hard and won the trophy even when he was injured in 1962? Use details from the passage.**

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**(5) What can we learn from Pelé's life about achieving our own dreams?**

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