

Biographies: David Beckham

What is a biography? A biography is a book or account about somebody's life to date. A biography is written by someone else. A lot of famous people have biographies written about them.



Who is David Beckham?



He's known for scoring big goals for England - and scoring big with Posh Spice. David Beckham's pinpoint accuracy on free kicks and his sweeping crosses have made him one of soccer's biggest stars. Here's a closer look at David Beckham - soccer's most famous face.



The Young David Beckham



David was born on 2nd May 1975. Since childhood, football has always been the biggest thing in David Beckham's life. He used to play for hours when he was a kid. Beckham and his father would kick the ball around until it was too dark to see each other.

The Young David Beckham



Because he was always kicking the ball around, David Beckham never did all that well at school. Beckham left school when he was 16 and went to play soccer for Manchester United's youth team. David played his first professional game for United two years later when he was 18.



Becoming Famous

By 1996, David Beckham was a regular with the Manchester United team and one of the most popular players in England - by helping the team win an FA Cup and a Premier Division title in the same year. He also helped United to win the 'treble' in 1999, three cups including the Champions League.





England and Spain

In 2002, David Beckham helped England reach to the quarter-finals of the World Cup of Soccer in Korea and Japan, where the English lost to the eventual champions from Brazil.

In 2003, David Beckham was transferred to Real Madrid for a mind-boggling \$40 million.



In the USA



David Beckham played for Real Madrid for four years, although his last year was not a happy one. He rarely started a game and early in 2007, he announced he was leaving Madrid for Los Angeles Galaxy. Beckham has helped to raise the profile of the struggling USA football league, Major League Soccer.

Hundredth Cap

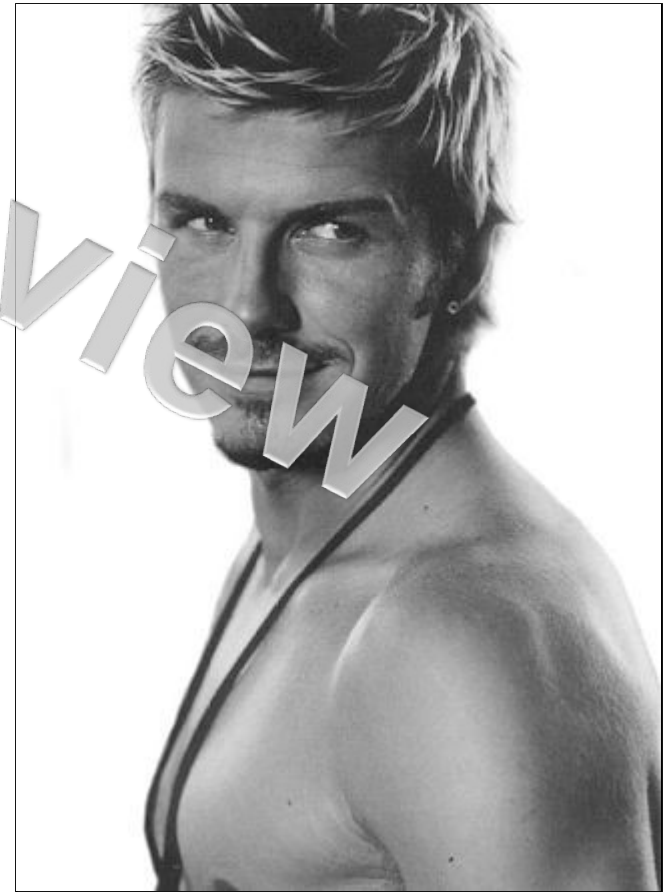
Despite playing in America, Beckham continued to play for England. In the first half of 2008, Beckham won his hundredth cap for England.





David Beckham's success in soccer means he's now making big money. David Beckham makes more than £12 million a year playing football, modelling and from advertising endorsements. That's allowed him to pick up some nice toys as well. Beckham now owns seven cars, including a custom built Ferrari, a Porsche 911, a Range Rover, and a Jaguar.

Beckham's Fortune





When David Beckham's not scoring goals for his team, he spends time with his wife, Victoria (Posh Spice of the Spice Girls) and their sons Brooklyn (born in March 1999), Romeo (born in September, 2002) and Cruz (20th February 2005). Many people see the 'Beckhams' as the perfect celebrity couple.

Family Man

