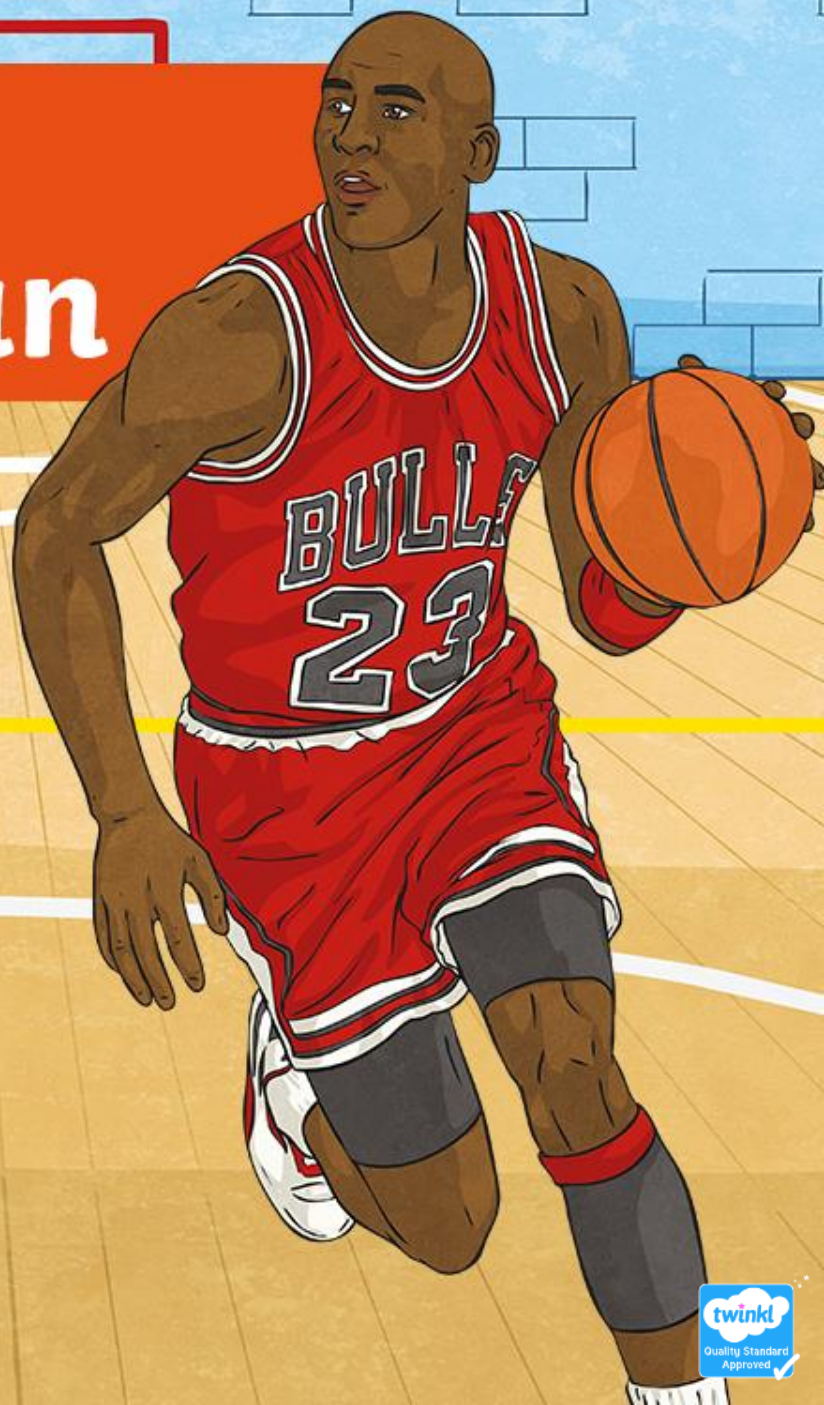


All About Michael Jordan



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Michael Jordan is often referred to as one of the greatest basketball players of all time.



Early Life

Michael Jordan was born on 17th February 1963 in Brooklyn, New York. He grew up in North Carolina.

At a young age, he was introduced to basketball by his father, James Jordan. In 1981, Michael began studying at the University of North Carolina and joined the basketball team.



Basketball and Studies

In 1982, Michael Jordan scored the title-winning shot in the NCAA (National Collegiate Athletic Association) championship. For two consecutive years (1983 and 1984), he was awarded the NCAA College Player of the Year.

While he was at university, he was offered a place on the NBA (National Basketball Association) team, the Chicago Bulls. Although this meant that he had to leave school early, Michael continued studying while playing basketball.



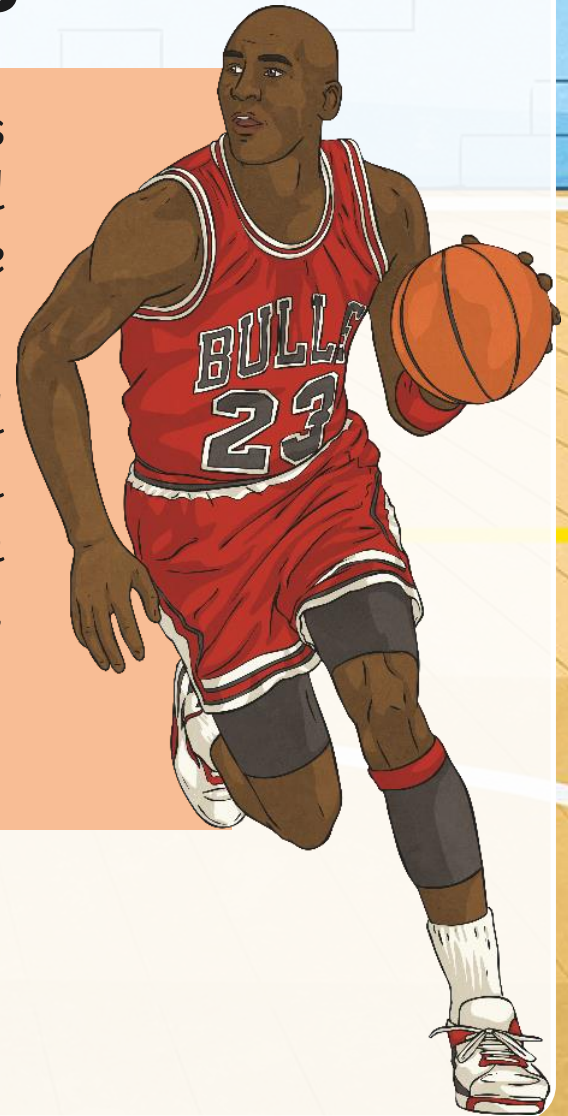
In 1985, Michael was awarded his Bachelor of Arts degree in geography.

Chicago Bulls

During the 1984/85 season, Michael Jordan's first year as a professional player, he scored more points than any other player in the league and won 'Rookie of the Year'.

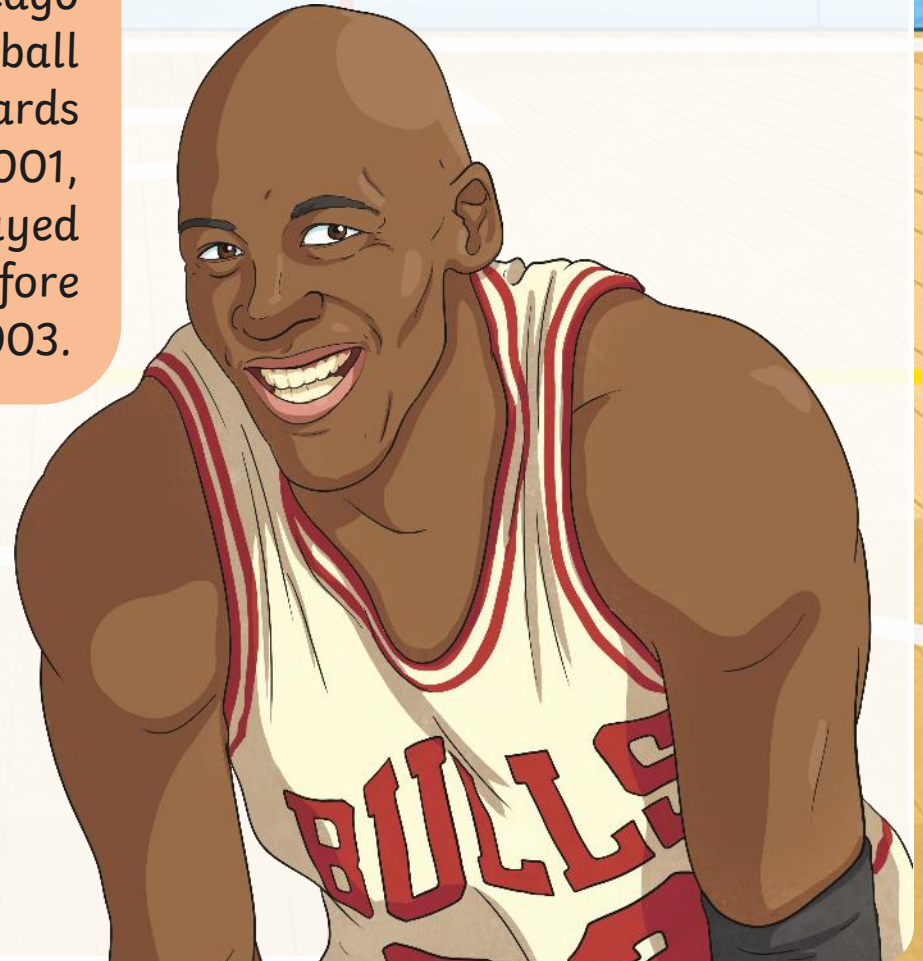
Following a foot injury at the start of his second year, he returned to the NBA to score more than any other player for seven seasons in a row. In the time Michael played for the Chicago Bulls, the team won six NBA championships.

Michael retired from the team in 1998.



Washington Wizards

Following his career with the Chicago Bulls, he briefly managed a basketball team called the Washington Wizards but he missed being a player. In 2001, he returned to the court and played for the Washington Wizards before finally retiring from the sport in 2003.



More Fascinating Facts

- Michael led the US basketball team to Olympic gold medals in 1984 and 1992.



- He is 1.98 metres tall and is well known for his ability to score slam dunks during a game. He can perform a vertical jump of just over 1 metre.

- During his career, he received several accolades, such as 'NBA's Most Valuable Player' and 'Defensive Player of the Year'.



More Fascinating Facts

- Michael was given the nickname 'Air Jordan' because of his incredible leaping ability.



- He finished his basketball career with the highest points-per-game average of any player – the highest scoring average in NBA history.

- Before retiring in 2003, Michael played in 1072 NBA games.



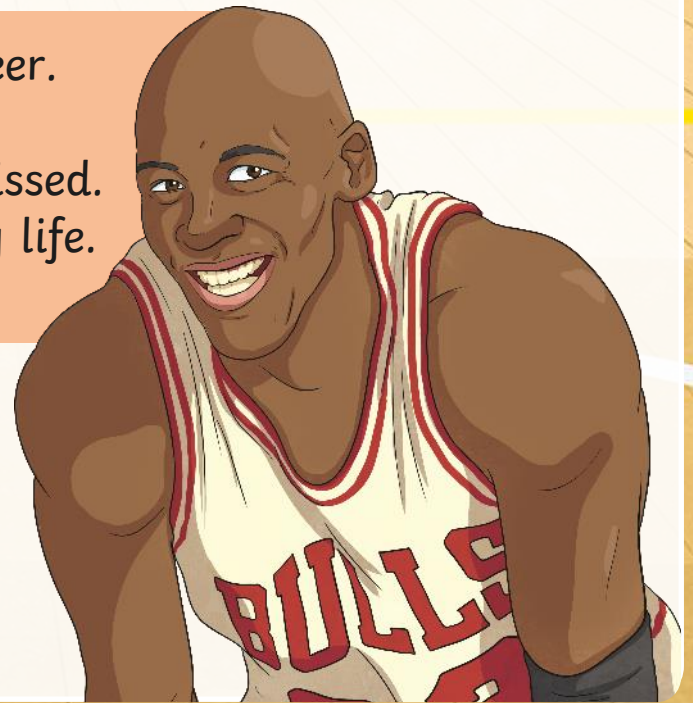
- Michael has been named one of the 50 greatest players of all time by the NBA.

Quotes

“Some people want it to happen, some wish it would happen, others make it happen.”

“Talent wins games, but teamwork and intelligence wins championships.”

“I’ve missed more than 9000 shots in my career. I’ve lost almost 300 games. 26 times I’ve been trusted to take the game-winning shot and missed. I’ve failed over and over and over again in my life. And that is why I succeed.”





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