The Great One

Do you know Wayne Gretzky, the Great One?

Wayne started to skate when he was two years old.

His father, Walter, was his first coach.

Walter made Wayne a skating rink in their backyard in Brantford, Ontario. Wayne practised his hockey skills.

Walter gave Wayne good advice. He told him that a good hockey player always goes where the puck is going.

Wayne listened to his father.

Wayne loved to skate. He skated in the morning before school. He skated after school until supper. He skated after supper. He even ate supper with his skates on!

To Wayne, skating was fun, not hard work!

To see Wayne Gretzky skate as a young boy, go to: archives.cbc.ca/IDC-1-41-1093-6037/sports/gretzky/clip1
By the age of 13, he had already scored 1000 goals!

Wayne grew up to be a great hockey player.

He started playing hockey with the Edmonton Oilers in the World Hockey Association at age 17. He later won four Stanley Cups with the Oilers in the National Hockey League.

Wayne Gretzky became the greatest goal-scorer in the NHL with 802 goals.

People say there is another Wayne Gretzky in hockey today. Do you know who the next “Great One” is?