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Why Cristiano Ronaldo Is Influential for Me?

The world is full of successful people who make us wonder about their identity but we never actually realize that they got there through constant struggles, failures, hard work and dedication. It is a fact that almost every successful individual achieved that position through endless struggle and persistence.

Cristiano Ronaldo has been a great inspiration for me. He is recognized as one of the best footballers in the world. The title of best Portuguese player of all time was conferred on him by the Portuguese Football Federation. He owns four Golden Boots and Golden Balls till now, earning as many titles as possible in his sports career. There are a lot of reasons Cristiano Rolando inspires me; his tale of success is breathtaking. His journey from childhood to where he is now is pretty encouraging.

**Early Life**

Ronaldo was not brought up in Portugal. He lived in the capital Funchal of a small island Madeira. He was raised in a family of poor background. His mother was a cook while his father did gardening for a living. At the age of 9, he started playing football. His passion for football is nearly indescribable. His classmates used to bully him for coming from a poor family. To earn extra money, his father used to clean lockers. All of this humiliation couldn't discourage him and he kept practicing football.

**Teenage Life**

He moved to Lisbon, Portugal alone at the age of 11 to become part of Sporting CP which is a football club based in Lisbon. His father developed a liking for alcohol when he was 14 years old and became an addict. At the age of 15, Ronaldo was diagnosed with Tachycardia. Developing a racing heart condition didn’t stop him from pursuing his dream of playing football. His condition was treated by major surgery. Later he joined SCP to begin his senior club career. At the age of 18, he signed a reasonable contract with Manchester United. With his deranged family and a drunk father, he kept struggling to make his way through sufferings and didn't lose hope. At the age of 20, his father passed away due to alcoholism. This incident affected him. He refused to drink alcohol and became the reason his brother quit his drinking habit.

**Football Career**

He won his first trophy in an England FA Cup. During his presence, Manchester United won 6 titles including 3 Premier Leagues, one UEFA Champions League and one FIFA World Cup. By the age of 22, he had individually received many titles such as Ballon d’Or and Player of the year. He joined Real Madrid in the year 2009 with a transfer worth 94 million dollars. During his career in Real Madrid Club, he won almost 15 trophies and titles, making him the first-class footballer in the World.

**Ronaldo as a Humanitarian**

Besides making his place among the best footballers in the world, he is considered as a humanitarian and patron all over the world. He has been seen to help troubled people. He paid for the treatment of a boy who was suffering from brain cancer. He raised funds for the education of a tsunami survivor. To construct schools in Gaza, he donated 1.5 million euros by giving away his golden boot. He took two Syrian refugees and offered them work to make them self-sufficient. He refused to get a tattoo because he donates blood regularly.

Although Ronaldo had a difficult life and suffered many difficulties but he refused to give up. Besides his football skills, he is a complete embodiment of kindness, dedication and hard work.